

FREE SPEECH? CANCELLED

The following speeches are NOT Cancelled. Be sure to attend!

Cindy Sheehan & Bill Ayers Speak Out Against Censorship

What does it mean for our nation when dissenters' speeches are canceled – when speeches about moral commitment, ethical action, and stopping War Party Politics are called “too dangerous” for people to hear, discuss, and debate?

6:30pm, Tuesday, June 15

Evanston Public Library, 1703 Orrington Avenue

This is a free event with Q.&A. following the presentations.

Please RSVP at adhoc4reason@gmail.com or call 847 674-0321 to let us know about how many people in your party will be attending.

Bill Ayers was invited last August to speak at a public lecture at the University of Wyoming in April on “Trudge toward Freedom: Moral Commitment and Ethical Action.” One week before the event, he was told he had been “disinvited.” Why? “Security concerns,” referring to a campaign of “demonizing and dishonest narrative” whipped up by right-wing blogs and some politicians backing them. Bill and his student sponsor took the University to court and won. Over 1,000 people attended his talk.

Cindy Sheehan was invited to the University of Wisconsin, Madison to speak in April on being “Against the War Party and Its Wars.” Based on years of peace activism and running as an independent against Nancy Pelosi, her talk was about how to work outside of the two major political parties. On the way to Madison, she was informed that the event was canceled for “security concerns” because she was a speaker. The student sponsors could not afford the hefty security deposit the university demanded. Cindy said she'd speak outdoors and the university relented.

This event is organized by the Committee For Reason, an Ad Hoc group originally formed to respond against the violent and unjustified arrest of a videographer who had been filming Sunsara Taylor, a nationally known speaker making an informal announcement at the Ethical Humanist Society of Chicago just prior to a lecture event from which she had been suddenly disinvited. The videographer faces trial here in late June. For more information on what you can do to support him, please visit www.dropthecharges.net and write us at adhoc4reason@gmail.com.

Co-sponsors include: Chicago Women's Caucus for the Arts, Neighbors for Peace, Northshore Coalition for Peace and Justice, World Can't Wait - Evanston and Chicago Chapters. (For other organizations that would like to cosponsor, contact adhoc4reason@gmail.com or call 847 674-0321)



Cindy will be coming to us from her trial in Washington, D.C. for her arrest on March 20th this year as she protested Obama's expansion of Bush's wars.

Check Out her Blog - *Cindy Sheehan's Soapbox, Postcards from the Empire* at <http://cindysheehanssoapbox.blogspot.com>