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**YWCA to Host Screening of *Pray the Devil Back to Hell*
PBS Series *Women, War and Peace* Brings to Light the Plight of Women in War**

Hartford, CT-A free screening and discussion of [*Pray the Devil Back to Hell*](#) will be held on November 8th at the Charter Oak Cultural Center in Hartford. The film is one of five films from the PBS [*Women, War and Peace*](#) series that challenges the conventional wisdom that war and peace is the domain of men. The event will be hosted by YWCA Hartford Region and Charter Oak Cultural Center in collaboration with Connecticut Women’s Education and Legal Fund (CWEALF), Girl Scouts of CT, Harriet Beecher Stowe Center and the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW).

A story of sacrifice, unity and transcendence, *Pray the Devil Back to Hell* honors the strength and perseverance of the women of Liberia. Inspiring, uplifting, and most of all motivating, it is a compelling testimony of how grassroots activism can alter the history of nations. The film documents a peace movement called Women of Liberia Mass Action for Peace organized by social worker Leymah Gbowee, an African peace activist and 2011 Nobel Peace Prize winner. Inspiring and uplifting, *Pray the Devil Back to Hell* is a compelling example of how grassroots activism can alter the history of nations.

“We are looking forward to a great discussion of this acclaimed film. We are proud to partner with like-minded organizations that support a similar mission of empowering women and promoting peace for all,” said Deborah Ullman, CEO YWCA Hartford Region.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 p.m. The screening will be held 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. and will immediately follow with a stimulating discussion of the film. The event is being sponsored by CPTV. To RSVP to the event e-mail LeahF@ywc Hartford.org or call (860) 525-1163 Ext. 245.

Established in 1867, YWCA Hartford Region is the third oldest affiliate of YWCA, a women’s membership movement dedicated to **eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all**. YWCA Hartford Region provides programs and services in the greater Hartford area including child care, supportive housing, teen leadership development, racial justice awareness, financial literacy and economic empowerment. For more information, visit www.ywc Hartford.org and follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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