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YWCA and Charter Oak Cultural Center Host Free Film Screening on Women, War and Peace

Hartford, CT— PBS [Women, War and Peace](#) series challenges the conventional wisdom that war and peace are men's domain. [I Came to Testify](#) will be screened in Hartford on January 10th, the second of what will be a total of 5 films screened in Hartford. The film is a moving story of how a group of 16 women who had been imprisoned and raped by Serb-led forces in the Bosnian town of Foca broke history's great silence – and stepped forward to take the witness stand in an international court of law. Their remarkable courage resulted in a triumphant verdict that led to new international laws about sexual violence in war.

All are invited to this free screening and panel discussion to take place on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 7:00PM at Charter Oak Cultural Center, 21 Charter Oak Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106. There is limited seating, please RSVP to LeahF@ywc Hartford.org by January 9th, or call (860) 525-1163 Ext. 245

This special event is hosted by YWCA Hartford Region and Charter Oak Cultural Center.

ABOUT CHARTER OAK CULTURAL CENTER

Charter Oak *Cultural* Center, is a non-profit, multi-cultural arts center committed to giving access to the arts to all people and doing the work of social justice. Charter Oak has long been an arts showcase for the region's ethnically and culturally diverse communities. We offer performances, exhibits, classes, two free after school programs for inner city youth, lectures and cultural programming that nourish the mind, soul, body and spirit of young and old alike. Our mission is to provide access to the arts for all. For more information, please visit our website at www.charteroakcenter.org or become a fan on [Facebook!](#)

ABOUT YWCA HARTFORD REGION

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](#).