



**Patriot for Peace:
Connecting the Dots
from Iraq to
Afghanistan to Gaza**

Thursday, October 11, 7pm
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No Charge

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Since then, she has been writing and speaking out for peace. She fasted for a month, picketed at the US prison at Guantánamo, Cuba, served as a juror in Bush impeachment hearings, traveled to Iran as a citizen diplomat, and has been arrested numerous times for peaceful, nonviolent protest of Bush's policies, particularly the war on Iraq. She has been on delegations to Iran and was in Gaza three times in 2009, following the Israeli attack on Gaza that killed 1,440 and wounded 5,000. She was an organizer for the Gaza Freedom March that brought 1,350 persons from 44 countries to Cairo, Egypt, in solidarity with the people of Gaza. She was on the May, 2010 Gaza flotilla that was attacked by the Israeli military and was an organizer for the US Boat to Gaza, The Audacity of Hope, in the 2011 Gaza flotilla.

Col Wright is now organizing with Gaza's Ark, which will build a boat in Gaza, to be sailed out of Gaza by a crew of internationals and Palestinians, carrying Palestinian products to fulfill trade deals with international buyers.

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