

KIM NIMOY

**Advocate, Consultant, Inspirational Speaker, Peer Educator
Writer, Percussionist, Performance Artist**

Kim Nimoy, for decades a solo warrior in the fight against domestic violence, is an individual recipient of the prestigious Governor's Justice, Freedom, and Courage Award in the State of New York. Armed with this as well as the Warrior Award from the Benjamin Cordoza School of Law, she is a fearless representative of Sanctuary for Family's (www.sanctuaryforfamilies.org) legal staff as a member of the Courtroom Advocacy Project (C.A.P.). She is one of the recipients of the Fund for Modern Courts' Samuel J. Duboff award¹. This award was given in recognition of her work in documenting problems with handling domestic violence cases and in making recommendations for improving the courts' approach to such cases.

Ms. Nimoy is a certified producer, through training provided to Voices of Women, for Manhattan Neighborhood Network cable access channel. She is now designing, in her own unique style, programming which addresses injustices to humanity on all fronts, locally and globally.

She promotes education and healing through the arts. She uses music, dance, drama, poetry, drumming, with humor and artistic flair, and is a much sought after keynote speaker and facilitator.

She brings her training in the theories of Paulo Freire and Augusto Boal, Pedagogy and Theatre of the Oppressed, to her "works" in helping women to heal and to organize through the arts and to her "works" in promoting peace globally.

Ms. Nimoy considers herself a "Peace Warrior". She has taken her experience, strength and wisdom to universities, middle through high schools, medical and law schools, the corporate world, prison populations and countless others. Through Voices of Women, Inc. (www.vowbwrc.org) the Allstate Foundation recruited her to train the leading advocates for Domestic Violence Victims from each state in public speaking. The Foundation flew her to their 4 day retreat in San Diego. There she trained hand-picked leaders from 52 states in workshops and powerful healing through the arts sessions to use their own stories to affect change in policy and law.

After graduating from Sanctuary for Families' Mentors' Program, Ms. Nimoy founded the *Sister to Sister* Peer Support Program at Sanctuary's Sarah Burke House Tier II Transitional Domestic Violence Shelter. *Sister to Sister* is a program which caters to the needs of women survivors in - shelter as well as in the continuing care program. Her aim is to bring this program to other D.V. shelters both locally and nationally.

Ms. Nimoy is the founder of W.O.M.E.N. (Word of Mouth Empowerment Network) which provides workshops for victims in living life beyond violence. She is also a proud member of Voices of Women Organizing Project (www.vowbwrc.org). She is the Vice President and Director of Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention at VOICES IN

THE TREETOPS, Inc. (www.voicesinthetreetops.org) and serves on the advisory board of Safe Horizon's Domestic Violence Hotline. She is a vital advisory board member of the Administration of Children's Services (ACS) and of the Commissioner's Domestic Violence subcommittee. Through this position, she also provides multicultural sensitivity training to ACS staff. She provides emergency room sensitivity training for doctors and staff of Jacobi Medical Center, affiliated with the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, Beth Israel Hospital's the Advocate Program, Mt. Sinai Hospital, and Metropolitan Hospital.

The list of accolades could go on and on. In her own words, "Next to motherhood, my greatest joy is in being not just a 'survivor' of domestic violence, but it is in being an advocate for its complete obliteration." Kim Nimoy believes that "If you heal a woman, you have healed a nation!" and that one must "organize, strategize, and globalize" the message of peace.

¹[Samuel J. Duboff Memorial Award](#)

The Samuel J. Duboff Award is named for the late Samuel J. Duboff, who served as Chair of Modern Courts' Executive Committee for 19 years. The Duboff award recognizes non-lawyers who make outstanding contributions toward improving the quality of justice in New York State.