



Charlotte A. Watson, Executive Director of the New York State Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Chauncey G. Parker, Director of Criminal Justice Services for the State of NY, present Kim Nimoy with the Governor's Freedom, Justice, and Courage Award for her work against domestic violence.

## **KIM NIMOY**

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

KIM NIMOY 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. Being Afro Indo Asian Carib American, she is an essential advisor to Voices in the Treetops, Inc. bringing insight to all its functions and policies from her multicultural family background and upbringing.

For decades a solo warrior in the fight against domestic violence, Ms. Nimoy 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](http://www.sanctuaryforfamilies.org)) legal staff as a member of the Courtroom Advocacy Project (C.A.P.).

After graduating from Sanctuary for Families' Mentors Program, Ms. Nimoy established 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.

Kim Nimoy's works and words are quoted in law school journals by such professors as John Jay College of Criminal Justice's Katie Gentile, PhD. Ms. Nimoy is one of the recipients of the Fund for Modern Courts' Samuel J. Duboff award.\*\* 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.

As an activist, Kim Nimoy brings her Brecht Forum TOP Lab 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. Her unique program, The Healing Arts Drum Circle, was designed for and is implemented at Barrier Free Living Family of Companies. <http://www.bflnyc.org>.

Ms. Nimoy is known in professional circles as 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. The Allstate Foundation recruited her to train leading advocates for domestic violence survivors from 51 states in the art of using their own stories more effectively to change policies and laws pertaining to family violence.

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.

Ms Nimoy works with youth and adults alike. As Vice President, Director of Intercultural Relations and of Domestic Violence Awareness and Education with VOICES IN THE TREETOPS, Inc. ([www.voicesinthetreetops.org](http://www.voicesinthetreetops.org)), she has facilitated workshops for agencies such as Friends of Island Academy, a re-entry program for young first time offenders from Rikers Island Correctional Facility.

She has taken her joyful, rejuvenating strength to NahWeYone, Inc. ([www.nahweyone.org](http://www.nahweyone.org)) a New York service agency for refugees of war-torn African countries. She serves on the advisory board of Safe Horizon's Domestic Violence Hotline and is a vital advisory board member of the Commissioner's Domestic Violence Subcommittee Administration of Children's Services (ACS). Through this position, Kim Nimoy also provides multicultural sensitivity training to ACS staff.

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

The list of Kim Nimoy's accolades and achievements could go on but, in her own words, her greatest joy is promoting peace through the arts. 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.

**Kim Nimoy, with Fellow Voices of Women Members, Proudly Accepts  
Samuel J. Duboff Award**



**Kim Nimoy (far right), along with other members of Voices of Women Organizing Project (VOW), was honored with the Fund for Modern Courts' Samuel J. Duboff Award\*\* ([www.moderncourts.org](http://www.moderncourts.org)) in recognition of VOW's work in documenting problems with handling domestic violence cases and making recommendations for improving the courts' approach to such cases. Victor A. Kovner, the fund's board chairman and a partner at Davis, Wright, Tremaine, presented the award at a ceremony at the New York City Bar Association.**

**(Photo: New York Law Journal )**

*\*\*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.*

## PEACE BEGINS WITH ME



**Kim Nimoy, Peace Warrior, celebrates the resilience of the human spirit, honoring fallen and surviving victims of “9-11”, performing at the annual September Concert, Ft. Tryon Park, NYC. (See: [www.septemberconcert.org](http://www.septemberconcert.org) )**

**For information about the mentors’ program, or to get help for domestic violence issues, call Sanctuary for Families at (212) 349-6009 or the Safe Horizon’s DV Hotline at 1(800) 621-HOPE (621-4673).**

**For information on Ms. Nimoy’s model for *Sister to Sister* or to book Word of Mouth Empowerment workshops, lectures, speaking engagements, and/or performances for general audiences, call (917) 659-8199.**

**To book Voices in the Treetops performances and workshops, go to [www.voicesinthetreetops.org/programs](http://www.voicesinthetreetops.org/programs) , write to: [info@voicesinthetreetops.org](mailto:info@voicesinthetreetops.org) or call (404) 492-1946.**

**To contact Voices of Women, Inc., call 1(212) 696-1481, or go to [www.vowbwrc.org](http://www.vowbwrc.org)**