

The Anti War Movement from Vietnam to Today: *A Chorus of Voices Against War*

**Saturday, April 29, 6pm
Linux Club - via G. Libetta, 15c**

An evening with:

Michael Uhl - Vietnam vet and long time anti-war activist.

Speakers include:

Gianluca Peciola, Assessore Municipio Roma XI

Francesco Tupone, Associazione Linux Club Italia

Stephanie Westbrook, U.S. Citizens for Peace & Justice, Rome

Nella Ginatempo, Bastaguerra

Micaela Serino, Women in Black - Rome

Phil Rushton, author of the book "*Riportiamoli a casa: Il dissenso militare nelle forze armate statunitensi*"

Mehmet Yuksel, representative UIKI – ONLUS, Information Office of Kurdistan in Italy

At the same time as the national demonstration for peace, justice and democracy in New York, a panel discussion with Michael Uhl, Ph.D., Vietnam veteran and for the past 35 years, a national organizer of the anti-war movement among soldiers and veterans in the United States. Uhl will discuss the anti-war movement in the U.S., comparing conditions of the Vietnam period with those of today.

The evening will also include coverage of the national March for Peace, Justice and Democracy in New York City.

Michael Uhl was commissioned as a lieutenant in the Army's Counter Intelligence Corps. In late 1968, he was sent to Vietnam, where he commanded a combat intelligence team with the 11th Light Infantry Brigade. It was the routine exposure to torture and atrocities inflicted on the Vietnamese population that he witnessed during his tour that led him to understand the true nature of the war.



Returning from Vietnam, Michael became immediately involved in the antiwar movement serving as National Veteran Coordinator of the Citizens Commission of Inquiry on U.S. War Crimes in Vietnam, a precursor to the legendary *Winter Soldier Investigation*.

In 1971, Uhl co-founded Citizen Soldier, an advocacy organization for veterans and GIs, which is still going strong after thirty-five years. He is also co-author of the book "G.I. Guinea Pigs: How the Pentagon Exposed Our Soldiers to Dangers More Deadly Than War". In 1986, he became a charter member of the organization Veterans For Peace, for which he is still active and serves as editor of the group's national newsletter.