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The Hope in Confronting the Unspeakable in the Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy

by Jim Douglass

"At a certain point in his presidency, John Kennedy turned a corner and he didn't look back. I believe that decisive turn toward his final purpose in life, resulting in his death, happened in the darkness of the Cuban Missile Crisis. Although Kennedy was already in conflict with his national security managers, the missile crisis was the breaking point.

At that most critical moment for us all, he turned from any remaining control that his security managers had over him toward a deeper ethic, a deeper vision in which the fate of the earth became his priority. Without losing sight of our own best hopes in this country, he began to home in, with his new partner, Nikita Khrushchev, on the hope of peace for everyone on this earth – Russians, Americans, Cubans, Vietnamese, Indonesians, everyone on this earth – no exceptions. He made that commitment to life at the cost of his own. What a transforming story that is."

<http://www.ratical.org/ratville/JFK/Unspeakable/>

The JFK Assassination Marked the End of the American Republic

Interview with Martin Broeckers, author of JFK: Coup d'Etat in America

Excerpt: To make a long story short: JFK had made definitive steps to end the cold war. He had denied the involvement of the army in the Bay of Pigs invasion, which he had inherited from his predecessor, he had solved the missile crisis in Cuba through direct and secret contact with the Soviet-leader Khrushchev, he had ensured a nuclear test-stop with the Soviets, and he had ordered the withdrawal from Vietnam. All this against the will of the military, the CIA, and even against many members of his own administration.

<http://www.lewrockwell.com/2013/08/lars-schall/jfk-coup-detat-in-america/>

The National Security State and the Assassination of JFK: The CIA, the Pentagon, and the 'Peace President'

by Andrew Gavin Marshall

Excerpt: Just 49 years ago, on November 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas. This marked the turning of the American National Security State apparatus against its own leadership. After having overthrown, assassinated leaders, and orchestrated coups around the world, the moment its growing power was threatened by the civilian leadership in America, the apparatus of empire came home to roost.

<http://www.globalresearch.ca/the-national-security-state-and-the-assassination-of-jfk/22071>

The Political Assassination of John Kennedy was orchestrated at the Highest Levels of Government

It marked the rise of the National Security State and the Military Industrial Complex

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No Military Coups for America? What About November 1963?

by Jacob G. Hornberger

Excerpt: Let's just keep believing that it's only foreigners, not Americans, who make "mistakes" in elections — mistakes that unfortunately sometimes have to be rectified with coups and assassinations. While our national-security state believes in helping foreign counterparts protect their nations from bad rulers through coups and assassinations, let's just keep telling ourselves that it would never do the same here at home.

<http://fff.org/2013/07/09/no-military-coups-for-america-really/>

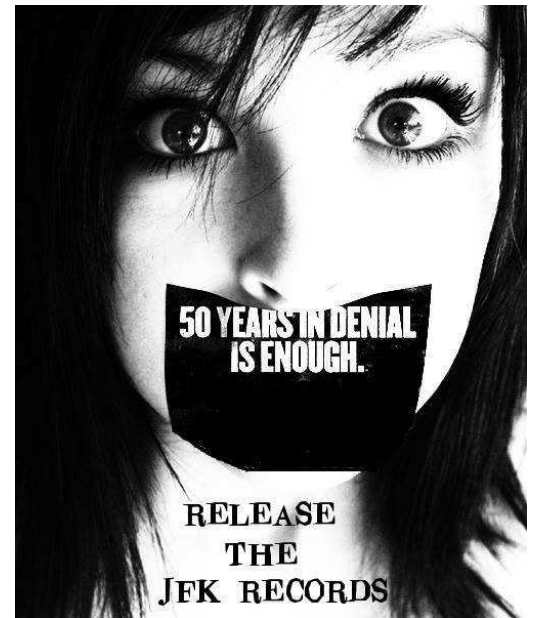
The Assassination of John F. Kennedy as Coup D'Etat

by Christopher Sharrett

Excerpt: A surprising amount of the historical record, much of which tends to ignore the assassination, shows that at the time of the Bay of Pigs and the Cuban Missile Crisis, "Kennedy demonstrated that he would stand up to the belligerent advice from his closest aides."

While Kennedy suggested a policy of restraint, Gen. Thomas Powers, commander of the Strategic Air Command, had other ideas: "Restraint? Why are you so concerned with saving their lives? The whole idea is to kill the bastards. At the end of the war if there are two Americans and one Russian left alive, we win." During the Missile Crisis, Powers raised the readiness of SAC to DEFCON-2, *one step away from war, without JFK's authorization*. After one meeting with the Joint Chiefs during the Berlin crisis, Kennedy left the room fuming, stating "These people are crazy."

http://www.acorn.net/jfkplace/09/jp.back_issues/28th_issue/coup.html

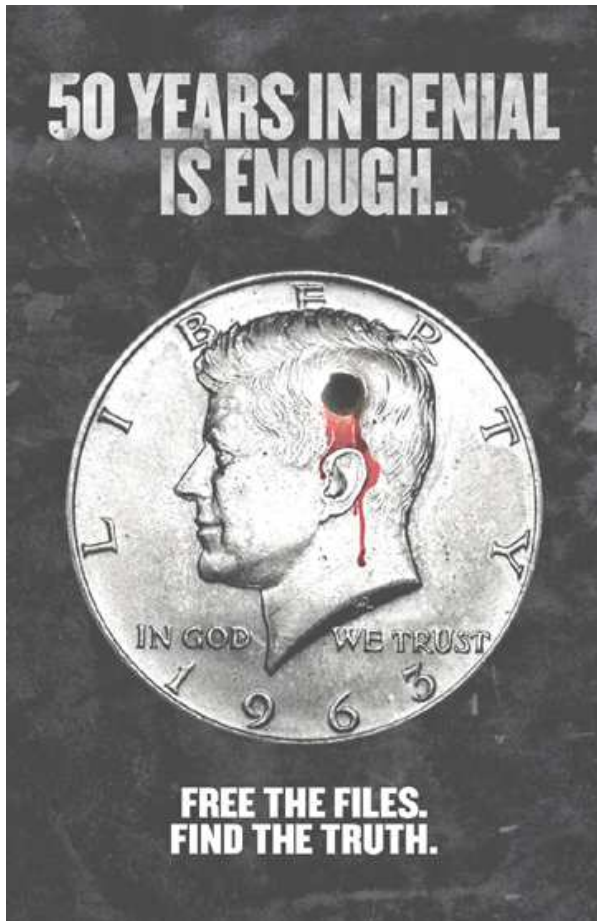


What kind of peace do I mean and what kind of a peace do we seek?
I am talking about genuine peace,
Not merely peace for Americans
but for ALL men and women
I speak of peace, as the necessary,
rational end of rational men.
For in the final analysis
we all inhabit this small planet
we all breathe the same air

WE ALL
CHERISH
OUR
CHILDRENS
FUTURES



... AND WE ARE ALL MORTAL



**FIFTY YEARS OF DENIAL IS ENOUGH
FREE THE FILES FIND THE TRUTH
COALITION ON POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS
20TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 22-24, DALLAS, TEXAS
ALOFT HOTEL, 1033 YOUNG STREET, 214-761-0000**

SCHEDULED SPEAKERS

Dr. Cyril H. Wecht
Mark Lane
Peter Dale Scott
Richard Beizer
Jesse Ventura
Dr. Gary Aguiler
David Talbot
Abraham Bolden
Robert Groden
John Armstrong
Jefferson Morley
Joan Mellen
Bill Simpich
Walt Brown
Doug Valentine
William Turner
...AND MANY OTHERS

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22
12:30 PM MOMENT OF SILENCE, GRASSY KNOLL, DEALEY PLAZA
2:00 PM MEET AND GREET, ALOFT HOTEL, PARTY PAD
4:00 PM REGISTRATION OPENS, ALOFT HOTEL
5:00 PM PROJECT UNSPEAKABLE - PLAY, PARTY PAD
6:00 PM BANQUET DINNER, WELCOME, AWARDS PREMIERE PAD
7:00 PM KEYNOTE SPEAKERS, OPEN TO ALL REGISTRANTS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23
8:00 AM - REGISTRATION OPENS, ALOFT HOTEL
9:00 AM JFK PANELS
12:00 PM LUNCH
1:00 PM JFK PANELS
5:00 PM DINNER
7:00 PM RFK, MLK PANELS
9:30 PM THE SEARCHERS' FILM AT TEXAS THEATER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24
9:00 AM OTHER ASSASSINATIONS, ARCHIVES
1:00 PM CONFERENCE ENDS
2:00 PM TRIP TO BAYLOR UNIVERSITY
RESEARCHER ARCHIVES AND DINNER
10:00 PM RETURN TO DALLAS



10 POINTS OF AGREEMENT ON POLITICAL ASSASSINATIONS

1. WE DO NOT BELIEVE IN CONSPIRACY THEORIES
WE RESEARCH FACTUAL EVIDENCE OF CONSPIRACY IN UNSOLVED CRIMES
2. OFFICIAL INVESTIGATIONS WERE FLAWED AND LED TO FALSE CONCLUSIONS
MANIPULATION OF ALL LEGAL EVIDENCE BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS OCCURRED
3. IMPROPER TRIALS AND WRONGFUL CONVICTIONS WERE CONDUCTED
NEW EVIDENCE THAT EXONERATES ALLEGED ASSASSINS CONTINUES TO EMERGE
4. OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE AND OFFICIAL COVER-UP BY GOVERNMENT
MANIPULATION AND CONTROL OF EVIDENCE AND INVESTIGATIONS OCCURRED
5. A PATTERN OF UNUSUAL DEATHS MARKS EACH ASSASSINATION
VIOLENT MURDERS, FALSE SUICIDES AND THREATS TO WITNESSES OCCURRED
6. EVIDENCE OF CIVILIAN AND MILITARY INTELLIGENCE AGENCY INVOLVEMENT
VARIOUS AGENCIES INVOLVEMENT IN BOTH THE CRIMES AND COVER UPS EXISTS
7. THERE ARE UNINDICTED SUSPECTS AND ACCESSORIES AFTER THE FACT
8. A PATTERN EXISTS OF POLITICAL ASSASSINATION AS A TOOL OF STATE
IT HAS BEEN USED AS STATE REPRESSION AND CONTROL OF FOREIGN POLICY
9. LEGITIMATE QUESTIONS REMAIN UNANSWERED : OPEN CASES, CLOSED FILES
10. THE CLAIMS OF JUSTICE AND HISTORY MUST BE SATISFIED

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**50 Years is Enough!
Free the Files - Find the Truth
Why Do You Need a Ticket to Get to Your
Own History?**

Dealey Plaza is a public park and a designated National Historical Site that has been open to the public over the five decades since President Kennedy was assassinated there. It was meant to encourage visitors to seek and discuss their own history and this critical event. In 1964, Penn Jones, a newspaper editor and early critic of the Warren Commission's official version of the assassination, began to hold an annual Moment of Silence on the Grassy Knoll (North Pergola) lest we forget the injustice or let the case remain unsolved. At his request, the Coalition on Political Assassinations (COPA) has continued the tradition since his illness and death in the 1990s.

COPA has sought a permit since 2010 for our annual Moment of Silence this 50th anniversary year. We also speak truth to power about the assassination of President Kennedy, who was behind his murder and why he was killed to put others in power in the United States in an un-Constitutional coup.

Instead, the Mayor of Dallas, Mike Rawlings reportedly instructed the chairwoman of The 50th Planning Committee, Ruth Sharp Altschuler, who claims to have "no authority in these matters" that he did not want "crazy conspiracy theory" on the Grassy Knoll on November 22. This was in 2011.

Nicole Longford, director of the Sixth Floor Museum at the Texas School Book Depository, which has memorialized the false sniper's nest of the discredited Warren Commission Report and blamed Lee Harvey Oswald as the assassin, was quoted in the *Dallas Morning News*, saying she took out an exclusive permit for Dealey Plaza on November 22 to be "proactive" (pre-emptive?) on behalf of the Mayor to prevent "a circus, a carnival atmosphere and conspiracy theory" on the 50th anniversary at the Grassy Knoll.

The Sixth Floor permit was taken out with no event planned and Longford told the DMN that they were still planning what to do, including "maybe a moment of silence". Sadly such a "moment of silence" about the assassination and the political truth it reveals will instead mark a Perpetuity of Silence. When approached, she told the Coalition on Political Assassinations that, "We simply suggest that you set aside the national and international press attention to his death to another moment." What other moment could that possibly be?

Mayor Rawlings and his planning committee set up a website to allow everyone interested to apply for a ticket to an event that will hold 5,000 people starting at 11:45 in Dealey Plaza, to be drawn by random from over 13,700 who applied, and half of whom must be Dallas area residents. The other 8,700 who are not issued a ticket, and perhaps "tens of thousands" coming to Dealey Plaza that day, according to the Mayor, will be turned away at barricades and asked to watch the event at other parks

COPA also celebrates JFK's life and legacy, and we think it got him killed. We just held an annual commemoration on June 10th of Kennedy's 1963 speech at American University calling for real peace, a detente with the Soviet Union, and an end to the nuclear testing and arms race, as well as nuclear disarmament. That was likely the last nail in his coffin. More major assassinations would follow of those who led social movements for racial and social justice and to end the war in Vietnam as well as the Cold War, including Malcolm X, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his brother Robert F. Kennedy, who had also vowed to reopen JFK's assassination once elected to the presidency in 1968.

The Mayor knows the press is coming from all over the world that day to Dealey Plaza. He wants to do a massive public relations event to show the world that Dallas loved and still loves John F. Kennedy, with a "solemn and dignified event that celebrates his life and legacy," but refuses to mention his assassination at that time and place. It would be like celebrating the life and legacy of Abraham Lincoln on April 14 at the Ford Theater where he was shot in Washington, DC.

At the opening event for "The 50th" anniversary in Dallas, the Mayor sat in a large audience to hear Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. assert that his father, the former Attorney General under President Kennedy, never believed the conclusions of the Warren Commission and started his own investigation into a conspiracy behind the assassination of his brother. This was greeted with loud applause because we are not the dissent but the majority view among Americans, 85% of whom discount the Warren Commission and believe a conspiracy killed their president according to recent polls.

"I didn't shoot anybody, no sir . . . I'm just a patsy." —Lee Harvey Oswald

"We don't have any proof that Oswald fired the rifle. No one has been able to put him in that building with a gun in his hand." —Dallas Police Chief Jesse Curry, quoted by United Press International, November 5, 1969

"We have not been told the truth about Oswald." —Hale Boggs, Warren Commission member

". . . [I]t is the most bizarre conspiracy in the history of the world. It'll come out at a future date." — Jack Ruby

"I now fully realize that only the powers of the Presidency will reveal the secrets of my brother's death." —Robert Kennedy, June 3, 1968, two days before he was assassinated

"He was quite a mysterious fellow, and he did have a connection . . . The extent of the influence of those connections on him I think history will deal with more than we're able to now." —President Lyndon Baines Johnson on Lee Harvey Oswald

"The committee believes, on the basis of the evidence available to it, that President John F. Kennedy was probably assassinated as a result of a conspiracy. The committee is unable to identify the other gunman or the extent of the conspiracy." —Final Report, House Select Committee of Assassinations (HSCA), 1979

"These brass hats have one great advantage in their favor. If we listen to them, and do what they want us to do, none of us will be alive later to tell them that they were wrong." * JFK; from James W. Douglass, JFK and the Unspeakable: Why He Died and Why It Matters.

**The Top Twenty JFK
Assassination books**

- JFK and the Unspeakable, by James Douglass (2008)
- Accessories after the Fact, by Sylvia Meagher (1967)
- Rush to Judgement, by Mark Lane (1966)
- Presumed Guilty, by Howard Roffman (1975)
- Conspiracy, by Anthony Summers (1981)
- Spy Saga, by Phillip Melanson (1990)
- The Last Investigation, by Gaeton Fonzi (1993)
- Let Justice Be Done, by Bill Davy (1999)
- Breach of Trust, by Gerald McKnight (2005)
- The Assassinations, edited by Jim DiEugenio and Lisa Pease
- On the Trail of Assassins, by Jim Garrison (2012)
- Destiny Betrayed (2nd edition) by Jim DiEugenio (2012)
- Impossible: The Case Against Lee Harvey Oswald, by Barry Krusch
- Case Open: The Unanswered JFK Assassination Questions, by Harold Weisberg
- Never Again: The Government Conspiracy in the JFK Assassination by Harold Weisberg
- Inside the Assassination Records Review Board: Five book series by Douglas P. Horne (2009)
- Pictures of the Pain, by Richard Trask (1994)
- The Killing of a President, by Robert J. Groden (1993)
- Harvey and Lee: How the CIA framed Lee Harvey Oswald, by John Armstrong
- JFK: The Book of the Film, Oliver Stone and Zachary Sklar (1992)
- Not in your Lifetime, by Anthony Summers

The Top Websites

- Coalition on Political Assassinations: (COPA)
- Citizens for Truth in the Kennedy Assassination: (CTKA)
- Black Op Radio
- Spartacus Educational
- The Real History Archives
- The Mae Brussell archive
- The Harold Weisberg archive
- JFK facts (JFKfacts.org)
- Mary Ferrell Foundation
- The Col. L Fletcher Prouty Reference Site
- JFK Countercoup
- JFK: 50 years (JFK50.org)
- JFK Library (JFKlibrary.org)
- History Matters
- National Archives
- Robin Unger Image Gallery

COPA will gather in Dallas at 11:30 pm, at the southeast corner of Main and Market Streets, to hold its annual Moment of Silence at 12:30 pm, simultaneous with the Mayor's event, and hold it again at 2:30 pm, when COPA and the public are finally allowed into Dealey Plaza. The location is across from the JFK Memorial site in Founders Square, just east of the Plaza. We hope you will stay in the Plaza or join us nearby. COPA will also hold its 20th annual conference this year on the assassinations of JFK and others, from November 22-24 at the Aloft Hotel, 1033 Young Street, a few blocks from the Plaza. This event is open to the public and features the best recent evidence and research from experts, academics and authors. For information see www.politicalassassinations.com.