LINDA PENTZ GUNTER Biography

Linda Pentz Gunter founded Beyond Nuclear in 2007 and serves as its international specialist as well as its media and development director. Prior to her work in antinuclear advocacy, she was a journalist for 20 years in print and broadcast, working for USA Network, Reuters, The Times (UK) and other US and international outlets.

Beyond Nuclear works to support grassroots, national and international efforts to phase out nuclear power in favor of safer renewable energy choices. It also draws attention to the perpetual link between nuclear power and the pathway to nuclear weapons and advocates for a global nuclear weapons ban. In creating Beyond Nuclear, Linda's goal was to reach beyond the immediate circle of committed anti-nuclear activists and engage those environmentalists concerned with climate change and the necessity to move away from fossil and fissile energy use.

In 2018, Linda launched a new web platform, BeyondNuclearInternational.org, which aims to reframe the anti-nuclear message through a more human lens. Primarily a story-telling website, with a strong visual focus, Beyond Nuclear International delivers not only topical news coverage but new and creative ways of communicating the humanitarian impacts of nuclear power and nuclear weapons. It showcases work on these themes in film and television, the performing and visual arts, and books, and covers personal acts of courage, group actions and protests, personality profiles, the effects on animals and nature, and other topics of broader general interest.

While focusing her writing on the Beyond Nuclear International site, Linda continues to write for *Truthout*, *Counterpunch* and others. She makes occasional appearances as an expert on television and radio programs.

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