



## SPECIAL EVENT ANNOUNCEMENT

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CENTER FOR RESILIENCE



## 21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE SYMPOSIUM

*Pathways to Resilience*

September 9-10, 2022

Via Live Stream and In-Person (9/10 Only)  
New York Marriot Downtown  
85 West Street, New York City

All programs are free and advance registration is required at [VoicesCenter.org](https://VoicesCenter.org).

*Please Note: Due to the vulnerability of the 9/11 community, all attendees must show proof of vaccination upon arrival. State mandates concerning masks will be followed.*



### **Voices Center for Resilience (VOICES)**

provides long-term support and resources that promote mental health care and wellness for victims' families, responders, survivors, and families of those who have died of 9/11 related illnesses; and assists communities in preparing for and recovering from tragedy. For nearly 20 years, VOICES has helped tens of thousands of people – not only those impacted by 9/11, but other tragedies as well, including the pandemic. As its mission expanded, so too has its programming, education and training, including conferences and symposiums, both in the U.S. and abroad.

This year commemorates the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of that tragic day, **September 11, 2001**. **VOICES 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Symposium** themed *Pathway to Resilience* will address topics that are relevant to the 9/11 community such as:

- International and national security
- Law enforcement, victims' services
- Victim's Compensation Fund (VCF)
- Mental Health
- Investigations in the aftermath of 9/11
- Other acts of mass violence

VOICES is fortunate to have longstanding partnerships with subject matter experts and national and international organizations working in the field of victims' services, social services, mental health, public health and emergency preparedness. Collectively they have a shared vision, to create a world where victims' families and communities impacted by tragedy have the immediate and long-term support they need to ensure healing and resilience in their lives. For this year's Symposium, VOICES has garnered a group of highly distinguished professionals, in partnership with the [Leadership in Counter Terrorism Alumni Association \(LinCT-AA\)](#) and the [International Network Supporting Victims of Terrorism and Mass Violence \(INVICTM\)](#), to educate and advocate against terrorism around the world.

The September 9 program is available via live stream only, and the September 10 program is available in person at the Marriot New York Downtown, 85 West Street, New York City and via live stream. **All programs are free and registration is required at [VoicesCenter.org](https://VoicesCenter.org).**

## September 9 Symposium

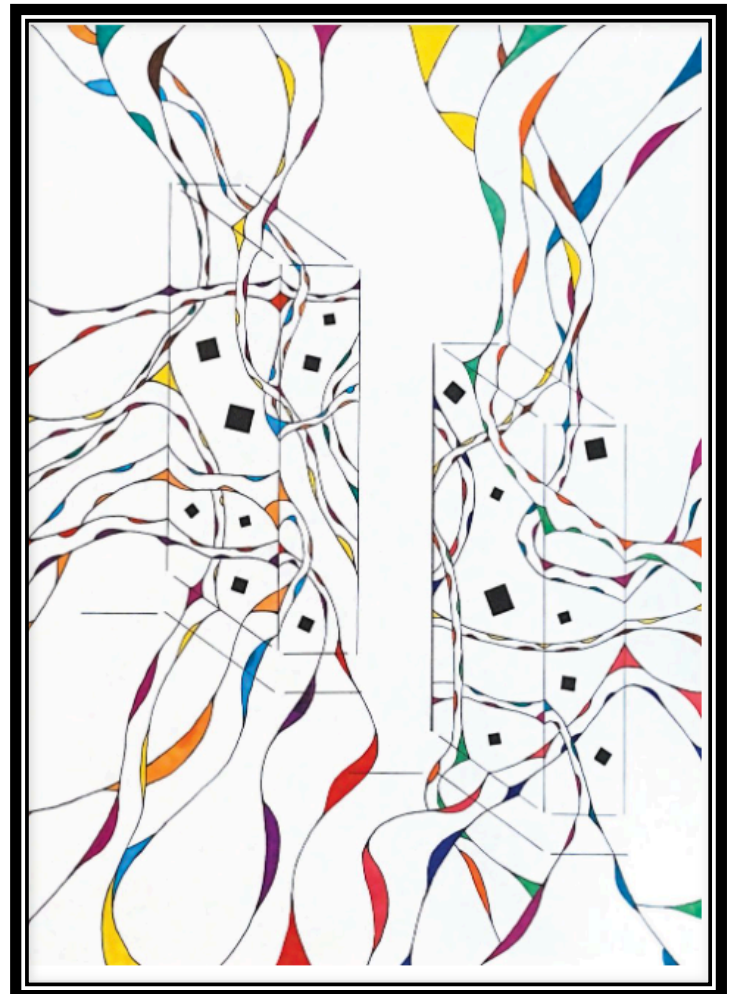


**9/11 Commission Documentary Discussion  
6:00 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. (Live Stream Only)**

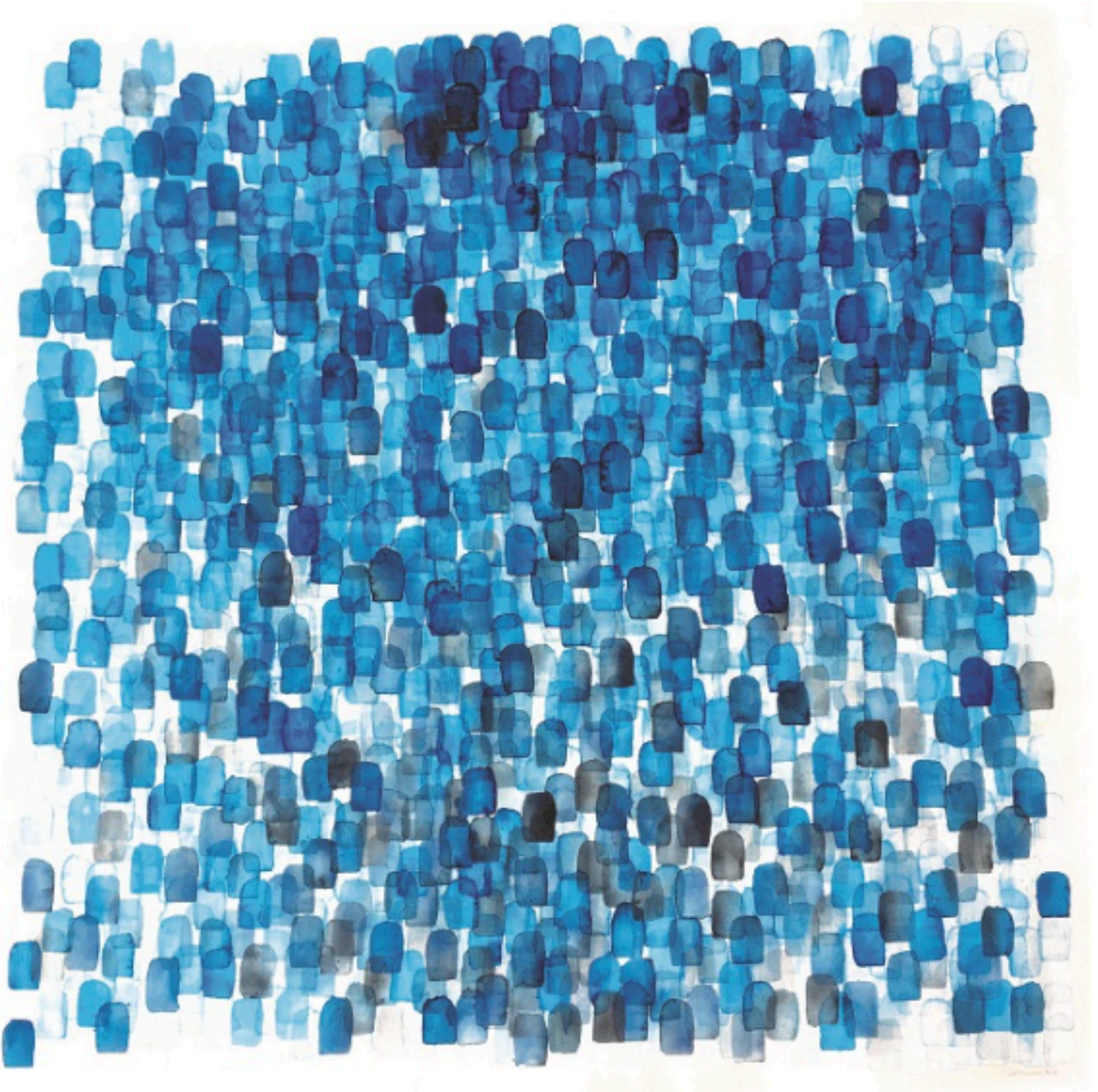
The September 9 Symposium is followed by an evening panel discussion about the 9/11 Commission and highlights of *Are We Safer Today?* The documentary chronicles the memories and observations of the 9/11 Commissioners on the largest investigation in US history that led to sweeping intelligence reforms. The conversation will also reflect on our Nation's progress towards implementing their recommendations as they commemorate twenty years since their formation.

### **Building Trust During Turbulent Times 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Live Stream Only)**

This program highlights the important collaboration between **LinCT-AA**, **INVICTM** and **VOICES**. Building upon ***LinCT-AA's 2022 Better Together Conference***, presenters will share their expertise based on firsthand experience, identify challenges, and propose solutions through public-private partnerships, in the US and abroad. The agenda includes presentations on global threats, legacy projects, victim-centered response, leadership strategies, and more.



## September 10 Symposium



9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**In Person at the Marriot New York Downtown and Live Stream**

**Support Beyond the 20th Anniversary** addresses the many outstanding issues that continue to impact the 9/11 community more than 20 years later. Dedicated professionals who have committed their careers to serving the 9/11 community will share their expertise and provide important updates. Sessions highlight mental health considerations, commemoration, compensation, pending litigation and an introduction to new agency leadership. The program features lessons learned for professionals and agencies providing victims' services and responding to other acts of mass violence.



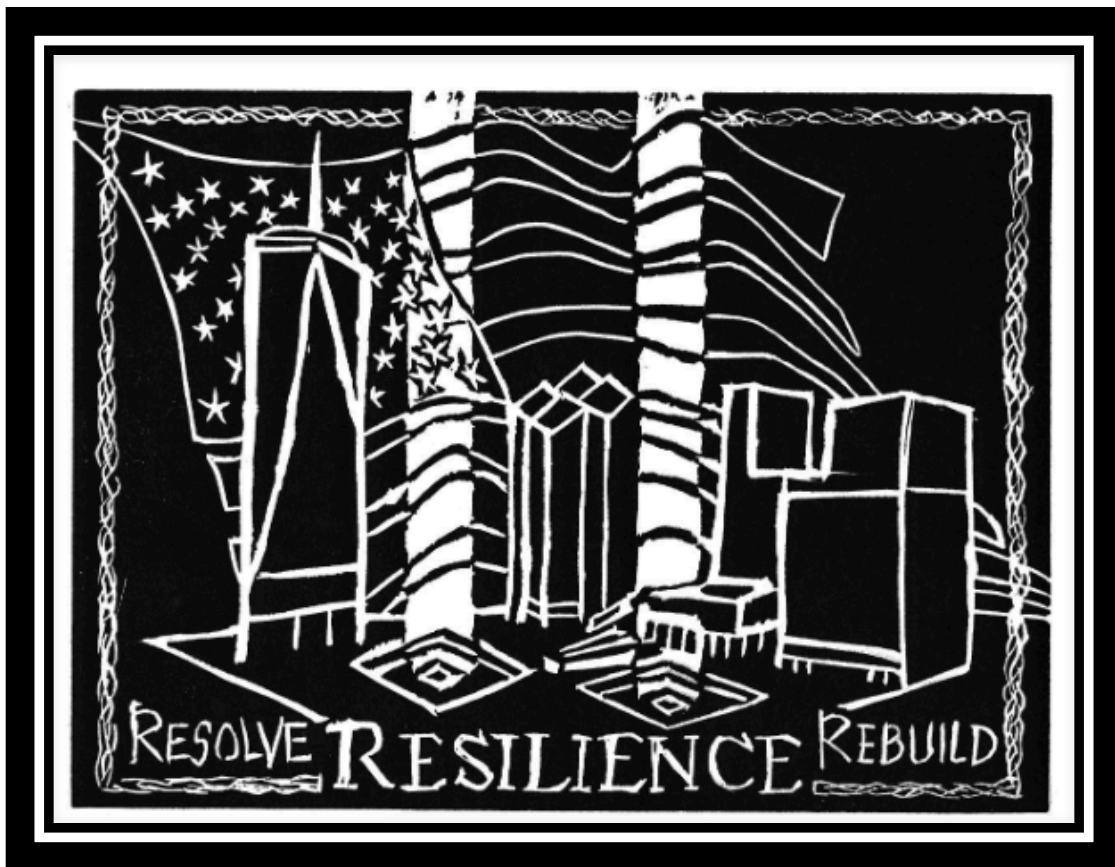
## **DO YOU HAVE A 9/11 VICTIM'S CLAIM?**

The **September 11th Victim Compensation Fund** also referred to as the [Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act](#) was established by an act of Congress to provide compensation for individuals who suffered a physical illness, injury or death as a result of the terrorist-related crashes into the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001, and its aftermath.

**Compensation is now available to anyone who was present in lower Manhattan for some period of time, for any reason, in the months following September 11, 2001, even those who first returned to the area in early 2002.**

These prominent law firms representing 9/11 victims will be present at the symposium and available to answer your questions:

- [Barasch & MacGarry Law Firm](#)
- [Kreindler Law Firm](#)
- [Motley Rice Attorneys](#)
- [Speiser Krause](#)
- [The Dearie Law Firm, P.C.](#)
- [Turken, Heath & McCauley, LLP](#)



To learn more about this VOICES event, sponsorships, partnerships, donations, and volunteering, please contact:

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#### **Credits | References:**

The beautiful art shown in this article is from **an online retrospective exhibition, Voices of Reflection**, produced by VOICES commemorating the 20th anniversary of the 9/11 terror attacks and in the years following. VOICES extensive collection includes thousands of pieces of inspirational artwork, mail art, photographs, sculptures, drawings, and quilts by exceptional artists. These contemplative, artistic creations express a range of emotions – among them empathy, grief, compassion, friendship and patriotism. They also commemorate the lives lost, document the stories, and capture the comfort extended to our Nation. To see the entire exhibit and purchase the art, please visit [Silvermineart.org](http://Silvermineart.org).

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