LINDA PENTZ GUNTER Biography

Linda Pentz Gunter founded Beyond Nuclear in 2007 and serves as its international specialist. Prior to her work in anti-nuclear 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 energy choices with which to address the climate crisis. The organization also draws attention to the perpetual pathway between nuclear power and 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 the climate crisis and peace and the necessity to move away from fossil and fissile energy use.

In 2018, Linda launched a new web platform, <u>Beyond Nuclear International</u>, which aims to reframe the anti-nuclear message through a more human lens. Primarily a news and essay 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 is designed to better connect the global anti-nuclear and climate movements and, to that end, will also publish articles in their original language as well as in English.

While focusing her writing on the Beyond Nuclear International site, Linda continues to write for *Truthout*, *Counterpunch*, *Capitol Hill Citizen* and others. She also makes appearances on television and radio programs and is a sought-after speaker for conferences and webinars.

Originally from the UK, Linda has a BA Honours degree in English and Italian Literature from Warwick University. Linda can be reached at: 301.455.5655 and linda@beyondnuclear.org.