WFWP UK - Young Women's Speech Contest 2026: Courage in Action

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On 10 October 2026, the Women's Federation for World Peace UK proudly hosted the Young Women's Speech Contest 2026, celebrating the theme "Courage in Action: Stories of Feminine Leadership and Its Relevance Now."







Co-moderated by Sharon Kabubi and Amina Meshnuni, the event opened with inspiring remarks from Becky Dell, CEO of Citizens of the World Choir, who highlighted the importance of leadership through compassion and action.

Finalists Gabriela Bedford, Han-Sun Nkumu, and Bonnie Hunt delivered powerful speeches reflecting on courage, integrity, and the role of feminine leadership in today's world.

Congratulations to Gabriela Bedford, who won first place, followed by Han-Sun Nkumu in second place and Bonnie Hunt in third. The Federation extends its heartfelt thanks to all participants, the judging panel led by Professor Christina Scharff, and everyone who contributed to making the event a success.

The contest also marked a new chapter for co-chair Sharon Kabubi, who will continue to support its legacy.

The event celebrated the power of young women to inspire change, strengthen communities, and lead with purpose - reminding us that courage in action can help shape a brighter future.