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# Peace by Pieces



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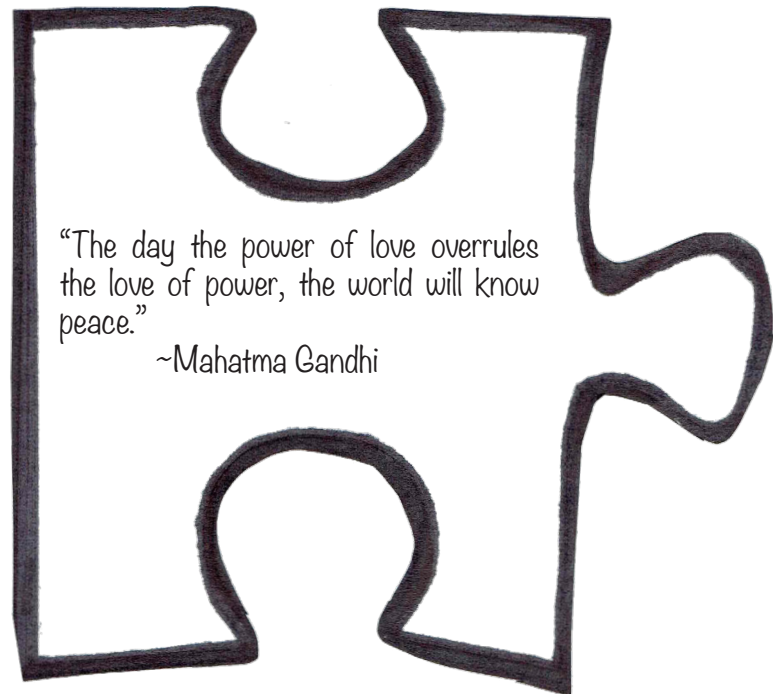
This book has been an ongoing project of the heart for more than fifteen years. Throughout many performances, classes, workshops, singing circles, drama camps, life experiences and work with all ages, I gathered and created pieces around the theme of peace to encourage, inspire and challenge those who would dare to sing them. It is my great joy to be able to share them with you through this book. The songs are simple but the message is timeless.

The release of this book is timely, in that we have never before seen our hopes, dreams and communities at such risk as they are today. In a world that seems to be ever dividing, I hope that others like me will continue to sing and use the power of song to shift the world ever so much in order to create lasting change. Singing reminds us of who we are: that we are spiritual beings connected to each other deeply and from that truth, we can act with goodness and kindness. We can build a beautiful world, peace by piece.

Share these songs with all you know and let love, peace and friendship grow.

Peace,

Kerri Lynn Nichols



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# Banner of Peace

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Intro/Coda

**A**

Peace, let there be.

Peace, let there be.

Sing the ban-ner, oh sing the ban-ner, oh sing the ban-ner of peace to-day. Oh won't you

Form: Intro/A/B (first spoken part only; repeat); Intro/A/B (second spoken part only); Intro/A/B (third spoken part only); Intro/A/B (all three spoken parts together); Intro (repeat until fade out).

# Earth's Wisdom

Quotes by Einstein, Juvenal, John Muir and Chief Seattle

Music by Kerri Lynn Nichols

**S**  
The joy of look-ing and com-pre-hend-ing is na-ture's most beau-ti-ful gift. The

**A**  
Na-ture ne - ver says one thing and wis - dom an - oth-er. —

**T**  
And na-ture's peace will flow to you as sun-shine flows in-to trees. And

**B**  
Re - mem - ber that all things are bound to - geth - er. Re-

**Tamb.**

**Low Drum**

6

**S**  
joy of look-ing and com-pre-hend-ing is na-ture's most beau-ti-ful gift. The gift.

**A**  
Na-ture ne - ver says one thing and wis - dom an - oth-er. oth-er.

**T**  
na-ture's peace will flow to you as sun-shine flows in-to trees. And trees.

**B**  
mem - ber that all things are bound to - geth - er. Re - geth - er.

**Tamb.**

**LDr.**

1, 2, 3. Last Time

Note: Suggested form and readings for B sections are listed in the supplemental information on page 57.

# Create Peace (Orff Arrangement)

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Chords: D G D A

Voice: Peace be-gins with you, peace be-gins with me,

SG

SX

Claves

Shakers

Bongos

CBX

5 Chords: D G D A D

V: peace be-gins with each of us so cre-ate peace and we can all be free.

SG

SX

Clv.

Sh.

Bgo.

CBX

# The Drum Is a Circle

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Woodblock

The drum is a cir - cle and a cir - cle is a place where the

Agogo

Drum cir - cle, drum cir - cle, drum cir - cle is a place!

Cabasa

Cel - e - brate the pow - er! Cel - e - brate the pow - er!

Bongos

Rhy - thm and rea - son to - geth - er em - brace!

Conga

Play that drum, when we play that drum, when we

WB

<sup>3</sup> rhy - thm is the rea - son that to - geth - er we em - brace and when we

Ago.

Drum cir - cle, drum cir - cle, drum cir - cle is a place!

Cab.

Cel - e - brate the pow - er! Cel - e - brate the pow - er!

Bgo.

Rhy - thm and rea - son to - geth - er em - brace!

Conga

play, when we play, when we play that drum, when we

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