

(Soloist: Pieter Huisman)

I'm sorry, I wish I could,
but I can't, it's too late
we've gone to far to change our ways
to undo what has been done!

Forgive me, you may be right,
it all may happen some future time,
but I am helpless on my own
to undo what has been said.

It's an impossible dream
one I'd love to share
an impossible dream
if only I could dare

I'm sorry, what can I do?
If only I was young, like you
It's seems so simple, it could be done
to move a mountain, to move a sun

powerless, though I am,
to chance a world that's upside down
you know I want to see it through
and believe - believe like you

the impossible dream,
one I like to share
the impossible dream
If only, I could dare...

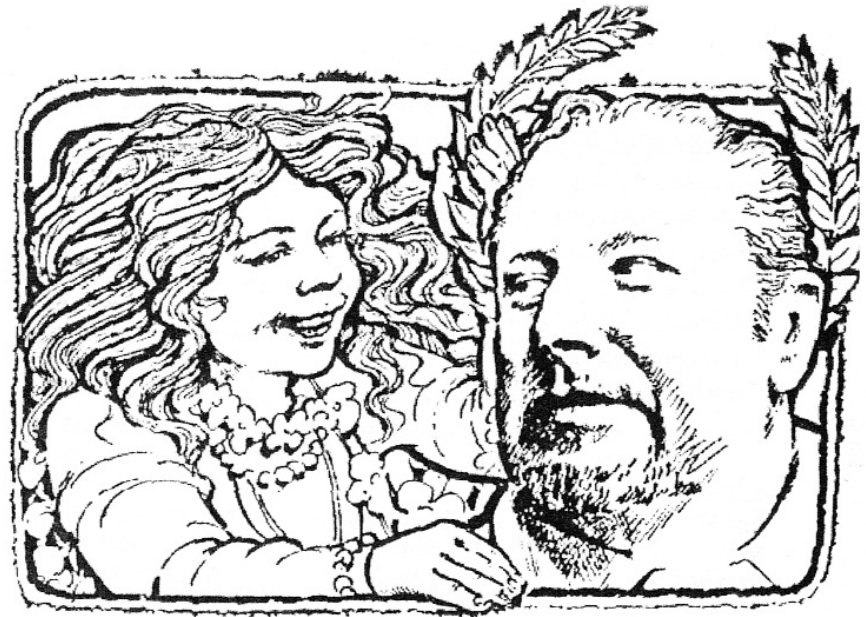
Child for a day

(Soloist: Sylvia Krijgsman)

I was a child, who ran full of laughter,
I was a child who lived for a day
my eyes full of sunshine,
my heart full of smiles
I was a child for a day

we were the children who sang in the
morning
we were the children who laughed at
the sun
who listened to those
who spoke with their wisdom
we were the ones we would say

we're getting older as time goes by,
a little older every day
we were the children - of yesterday!



Peace Child 2000

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PWA-hall



Peace Child 2000 was written by David Woolcombe

Directed by Joe Raphael

Assistant Director Joop Westdijk

Music composed by David Gordon

Music arranged by Arjan van Aalst, Leon Monné jr,
Christiaan Geers, Marloes Oudeman

Choreography: Kitty Bakker

Tumblers: Wiesje Hangelbroek

Cast:

Storyteller:

Sir Peter Ustinov

Saskia:

Eva Reijman

Osvaldo:

David Meijer

Wise Woman:

Marieke Vollenbroek

US President:

Pieter Huisman

MIC-man:

Jord Ottolander

Figure of war:

Lionel Schreiber

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-piano

Christiaan Mantz

-piano

Arjan van Aalst

-synthesisers

Niels Zeven

-bass

Daniel Samama

-drums and percussion

Chiel Zwinkels

-(lead-)guitars

Fleur Beyers

-additional guitars

David Meijer

-trumpet

Lionel Schreiber

-saxophones & clarinet

Merel Schogt

-alto-saxophone

With Haganum school orchestra conducted by Joe Raphael.

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Ana Louisa da Silva
Floortje Dietz
Lisette Smalbraak
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Medea Moons
Karen Reijnen
Artur van Balen
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Willemijn Dupuis
Marlies Meijer
Antoinette van Nierop
Olga Krijgsman
Leonie van Raalten
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Malee Sëip
Janneke Flagman
Yvonne Wegenen
Corrie van Waardenburg

Peace Child 2000 PLOT SYNOPSIS

Act One: The play opens on Peace Day in the year 2050: some children are enjoying the traditional Peace Day celebrations when children have the right to express their concerns to adult officials in the form of resolutions about present and future priorities. Then the master of ceremonies, known as the Storyteller, invites them to debate their resolutions, they say they have debated them too much already: Some ask how Peace Day began. Several of the older children know the story and beg the story-teller to let them act it out in the form of a play that they used to perform every year on Peace Day some years ago. Reluctantly, the Storyteller agrees. The lead children are chosen, and the story begins with a history of warfare from the stone-age club to the nuclear bomb. The storyteller explains that the turning point came at a meeting called the Hague Appeal for Peace where the Youth Caucus makes a strong and comprehensive appeal for the major components of a peace-based planetary society. They recognise their common identity in their thirst for Life and all the joys that it brings - and then look at what is needed to preserve life and justice in their different situations around the world. They realise that the kind of agreements needed are reached every year at the big Hague Model United Nations meeting of students from all over the world. All that is required is for the agreements to be implemented. The students devise a plan for doing this and, after some reluctance from other interest groups at the Hague meeting, the delegates agree to base their appeal to governments based on the youth caucus comprehensive plan.

Act Two: Some months later, one of the Dutch students attending the Hague Appeal, Saskia, is miserable because she cannot get her friends, or her government, to advance the agreements made at the Hague. She has a nightmare in which a representative of the Military Industrial Complex explains why her dream can never be realised. She determines to visit a friend she had made at the Hague who lives in Ecuador. He is suffering the same problems as he tries

to implement the agreements. They decide to visit a wise woman who lives in the mountains - one who had marched with Martin Luther King and who was knowledgeable about the writings of Gandhi, Russell, Einstein and the heroes of the Peace Movement.

She urges them to hold fast to their vision, and inspires them to start a Great March for Peace - just as Gandhi and King had marched. So begins the Children's Great March for Peace - around the world, gathering children and adults from many countries, and ending up in Washington DC outside the White House. Faced with the difficulty of moving several thousand chanting kids from the mall - in whom the media has now taken a considerable interest - the President agrees to see some of their representatives. In a meeting that lurches from the verge of farce to the President on the verge of frustration, the children get the President to agree to attend a Millennium Summit at the United Nations where leaders of the world will consider the agreements drawn up at the Hague and make a determination on whether or not to proceed with them.

At the United Nations, some of the young people are allowed to watch the leaders' deliberations in the Security Council chamber. They are appalled by the way that the diplomats talk without agreeing to anything - until a coffee break is called and the kids look at the briefing papers lying on the delegates' desks in which it is made clear that the instructions from their governments is to agree to nothing! The children are incensed and sit down at the delegates' desks, formalising their agreements with democratic votes. By the time the leaders return, the kids have done their work for them and invite them to endorse their agreements. The leaders are shocked - but are impressed by what the kids have done and, rather than continue with their deliberations, are encouraged by the US president to consider the agreements and to see whether, with some adjustments, they could all agree to them. A concluding song, "Child for a Day" reminds us that we were all children once and the most valuable gift young people can give us is to remind us of that fact, and the innocence we enjoyed.

In the epilogue, the children question the old Story-teller of his own role in the Hague story, and he closes with a final homily to all children to be Peace Children.

songs

Peace day

(soloists: Medea Moons, Mirjam Wakelkamp, Charlotte Boudenstein)

come into my joy
come into my pain
come - you be a friend of mine!
I'll be the same

-repeat-

As I go through my years with many passing fears
I've never seen my guiding light
the clouds in front of me won't ever let me see
And I'm so weary of the night

I've tried so many times to read between the lines
but the words keep turning round
and a thousand fears are ringing in my ears
and I'm so weary of the sound -

So give me Peace enough, Peace enough, Peace enough!

So give me peace enough for peace of mind
everything coming up sunshine (repeat x 1)

Come into my joy
come into my pain
come - you be friend of mine
I'll be the same (repeat x 1)

Peace Day Peace Day we all say
happy world, happy day
wear a leaf and show the way
celebrating this Peace Day!

Peace Day Peace Day we all say
happy world, holiday
wear a leaf and show the way
celebrating this Peace Day!

Peace Day, Peace Day - sing and dance

it will be a big romance
people of the world as one
Peace Day, Peace Day has begun

Celebrations, jubilation's
laughter, shouting - lots of fun
singing dancing, take your partner
celebrations have begun

Celebrations, jubilation's
laughter shouting - join the fun
smiling dancing, grab a partner
happiness for everyone!

Peace enough for all mankind
healthy body, happy mind
faith and love, the world as one -
Peace Day, Peace Day has be_

come into my joy
come into my pain
come - you be a friend of mine
I'll be the same

Peace Day Peace Day we all say
happy world, happy day
wear a leaf and show the way
celebrating this Peace Day!

If you close your eyes

(Soloist: Miriam Hafkemeijer)

Now if you close your eyes, you can
be what you want
and if you close your mind, you can
feel what you need

don't you see, it's your destiny -
can't you see, it was mend to be -
It's happening everywhere!

People waking up!
 Together facing a great new dawn -
 reaching out for love!
 Do you believe in miracles
 - have faith in things unseen
 take a good look around your world -
 oh no, it's not a dream.

So open up your eyes - and fly be-
 yond the sky!
 And open up your mind - you can
 feel beyond your dreams!
 Now open up your hands - you can
 touch the Universe!

Then put your hands in mine, and
 behold - a brand new world!

I want to live- I
(soloists: Axel Arnbak, Pauline San Giorgi)

I want to live, I want to live
 the right to live my life
 I want to search far and wide
 have the right to wonder why
 I want to fly through the air
 like a bird in the sky.
 I want the chance to show the world
 what I am before I die.

I want to be, I want to see
 a world that's good and free
 I want a home, someone to love
 to shear their life with me
 I want to have and to hold
 a child of my own
 I want to live, I want to love
 I want to live, I want to live -

I want to live, I want to live

the right to live my life
 I want to search far and wide
 have the right to wonder why
 I want to glide through the air
 like a bird in the sky.
 I want the chance to see the world
 I want to live, I want to live
 I want to live!!

Look at life
(Soloists: Bente Jorritsma, Lucia Bosma)

Look at life - take a look around you
 look at life - doesn't it astound you
 see the colours of the rainbow
 smell the fragrance of a flower
 Aren't we lucky you and I - you and I

Look at life - take a look around you
 look at life - doesn't it astound you

Young boy picks a flower for the one he loves
 he sees the colours of the sky!
 And in the touch of the earth
 And in the rays of the sun
 And in the blueness of the sea
 So green the land living world

look at life - doesn't it astound you
 Look at life everywhere around you

Take a walk on a Sunday
 any moment you can spare
 in a park or an open space -
 you'll find it there

Life! - Life! - Life! - LIFE!

Reach out
(soloists: David Meijer, Eva Reijman)

Reach out for a star!
 Come out from where you are
 show me what you can do
 believe in me, I believe in you

reach out for your dream
 it's not as hard as it may seem
 together we can make it through
 together - me and you!

Wake up, open your eyes
 this is our world, our paradise

Reach out, put your hands in mine
 oh see! - see how we shine!
 There's a whole new world for us to
 see
 there's a universe in you and me!

Don't be shy, just be yourself!
 You are your greatest wealth!

Reach out for a star!
 Come out from where you are
 show me what you can do
 believe in me, I believe in you
 show me what you can do
 believe in me, I believe in you

I want it all
As played by Queen.
(soloist: Joop Westdijk)

MIC
(soloist: Jord Ottolander)

It's a military industrial complex,
 isn't it sad, the world is quite mad!
 A fashionable national contest
 the biggest, the best, the East and the West

Indestructible immovable object
 the ego at large, a tragical farce
 uncontrollable horrible shambles
 such a sorrowful sight, everyone's right!

Oh- what a hopeless case it is
 no one really cares!
 Oh - what a crazy world this is
 no one can win this race -

because the bigger they build
 the faster they go
 the greater the bang
 Spells the end of man!

It's a military industrial complex,
 isn't it sad, the world is quite mad!
 A passionate emotional subject
 who's right and who's left - it's anyone's
 guess

an inexplicable typical jungle
 no one to blame for this ridiculous game!
 Uncontrollable horrible shambles
 such a sorrowful sight, everyone's right!

I have a vision
(soloist: Marieke Vollenbroek)

I have a vision, I have a dream
 I have the answer or so it seems

don't you see the truth, to fight is not right
 we shall our rainbow, we will have our
 sunlight
 If we unite!

Where's a way you say, where no-one
gets hurt
there's a way with love if you try
there's is hope and faith to keep you alive
in your darkest day, just pray!

Reach out with love, gather all you cour-
age
reach out with love, seek a brighter day!
Love as our sword, peace as our weapon
reach out with love, let us win this way!

Love as your sword, peace as our weapon
reach out with love, let us win this way!

Martin Luther King had a vision! He had
a dream
he had the answer, or so it seemed
he knew the truth - to fight is not right
we can have our rainbow we can have our
sunlight
We must unite!

Reach out with love, gather all you cour-
age
reach out with love, seek a brighter day!
Love as our sword, peace as our weapon
reach out with love, let us win this way!

I have a vision...

I want to live II
(Jonah Stunt, Jolijn Engelbertink)

I want to live, I want to live
the right to live my life
I want to search far and wide
have the right to wonder why
I want to fly through the air
like a bird in the sky.
I want the chance to show the world

what I am before I die.

I want to be, I want to see
a world that's good and free
I want a home, someone to love
to shear their life with me
I want to have and to hold
a child of my own
I want to live, I want to love
I want to live, I want to live -

we want to live, we want to live
the right to live our lives
we want to search far and wide
have the right to wonder why
we want to fly through the air
like a bird in the sky.
I want to live, I want to love
I want to live, WE WANT TO LIVE!!

I gotta story (part I)
(soloist: Claar de Brauw)

It could be story, perhaps we gotta story
unusual story! - maybe even front-page
news.

It could be story, perhaps we gotta story
unusual story! - maybe even front-page
news.

It's a story, we really gotta story
headline story! - definitely front-page news!

A-tic-atac-a-sho-ee! A-tic-atac-a-sho-ee!
A-tic-a-tac-a-tic-a-tac-a-tic-a-tac-a-shoo-ee!
A-tic-atac-a-sho-ee! A-tic-atac-a-sho-ee!
A-tic-a-tac-a-tic-a-tac-a-tic-a-tac-a-shoo-ee!

Extra, extra, read all about it
headline, headlines - no doubt about it.

Extra, extra - read all about it
headline, headlines - take it home and
shout it (2x)

fireball
(soloist: Lionel Schreiber)

fireball, burning in the sky
Fireball, are we gonna die
Fireball, brighter than the sun
Fireball, pray for everyone!

I gotta story (part II)
(soloist: Claar de Brauw)

It's a story, we really gotta story
headline story, definitely front-page
news

newsnight, satellite, print it right
broad side, nationwide, any side
front page, centre fold, get it sold!

Extra, extra, read all about it,
headlines, headlines, no doubt about it.
Extra, extra, don't go home without it.

Frontpage	build it high
print it bold	reach the sky
make 'em shout	make 'em
cry!	

Mr. President:
(Soloists: Axel Arnbak, Pauline San Giorgi)
Mr president, is it true what they say,
you can kill all the world in less then a
day

Mr president, can it be what it seems
there will be no more love, there will be
no more dreams

Mr president, is it true what I hear?
Because of men's greed we must all
live in fear?

Oh no! (oh no!), It's plain to see (It's
plain to see)
but so hard to understand
that this world we all love
is fading away , dying today
Oh no! (oh no!), It's plain to see (It's
plain to see)
that mankind should have the right
for the sake of their greed
they can take this away
without asking why.
OH NO!

Mr President, is it true what I read,
the world could be death with a turn of
your key

Mr President, can it be what it seems?
There will be no more children, no
more love, no more dreams

Mr President, won't you hear our small
plea?
For the millions of children, throw
away your key

[repeat refrain]

Mr President, it's a time to be brave ,
announce to the world, this will be a
peace day
the first... peace day!

I'm sorry (the impossible dream)