

FirstPeace - Bugle call for Peace. Invitation for participatory playing of *FirstPeace* on bugle or using the mp3 recording at 11am on 21st September for International Day of Peace.



PeaceBugle

Turning
instruments of war
into
instruments for peace

PeaceBugle is an international music and film project by Steve Chettle. Its objective is to promote and support international peace. It is a response to 20th and 21st century war, civil conflict and genocide. Project information is at: www.peacebugle.org

Within the main project, a new bugle call titled *FirstPeace* has been created by internationally acclaimed composer Sally Beamish. I am extremely grateful for Sally's involvement and support for the project. Her composition is extremely significant for *PeaceBugle's* support of peace. More on Sally at www.sallybeamish.com

The brief was for a new bugle call with a duration of one minute. (To mirror one-minute silences). *FirstPeace* is a call to peace, a practical tool to be used to promote peace and a musical symbol and emblem of and for peace activities. It is also a core part of the *PeaceBugle* Audio-Visual Installation.

Military bugle calls are purely notes that specify particular actions such as reveille, parade, mess call etc.

FirstPeace contains a complex narrative within its notation. It sounds distinctive and memorable and acts as a foil for the Last Post bugle call.

There are three sections:

First section: Elegiac - sorrow and lamentation (within this there is a bar rest which is silence).

Second section: The word PEACE converted to Morse Code and then played as notes. The letters appear above the staff. The Morse Code is P • - - • E • A • - C - - • E •

Third section: The British Army bugle call for ceasefire. It is in the 1914 War Office booklet for Bugle calls which was still operational without change in 1918. This bugle call is the one that was played at 11am on 11th November 1918 to tell the British troops to stop fighting.

The mp3 recording of *FirstPeace* is played by Caroline Guirr. I am enormously grateful to Caroline for her dedication in the mp3 recording and titling information. More on Caroline at: www.carolineguirr.com

FirstPeace can be used at peace vigils & rallies and to mark particular events such as International Holocaust Memorial Day on January 27th, Remembrance Day on November 11th. *FirstPeace* is planned to be played at 11am on 21st September as part of the UN International Day of Peace. www.internationaldayofpeace.org

When playing *FirstPeace* we ask that you use it solely for the pursuit and support of peace by peaceful means. Within that request please be as creative as you wish to use the bugle call.

A *PeaceBugle* Facebook page has been created to allow you to post video or photographs that will build a repository of *FirstPeace* being played around the world.

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Help extend *PeaceBugle* and *FirstPeace* by passing on the download information to your friends and colleagues and encouraging them to play the mp3 bugle call or find a bugle player who will play it live.

***FirstPeace* is available to be played for free in the pursuit and support of peace by peaceful means**