



Create Your Own Peace Ceremony

We offer you the template of the programme from The 2010 Bath Peace Ceremony as a guide to organising your own celebration of Peace. Use our guidelines and personalise them with your own ideas to reflect your local culture and give them a unique stamp of originality. The scale and location of your event can range from a small gathering of family and friends to a large event for the whole community.

Welcome & Introduction by Master of Ceremonies

Opening Speech

Songs

'Peacemaker'

'Light a Candle in Your Heart'

A Message of Peace

Invite someone inspirational to share a message of Peace.

Song

A Message of Creativity Unity & Peace

Invite someone inspirational to share their story of Creativity, Unity and Peace

Reading of 'The White Dove'

Lighting a Candle for Peace & Reading of The Circle of Peace Dedication followed by Silence for Peace (2 minutes)

'Time for Peace on Earth' (mime-poem)

Group Singing of The Circle of Peace Dedication

Led by a community choir leader, speakers, performers and members of the audience assemble around the CANDALA of Peace whilst reciting the 4 line chant. The group processes around the CANDALA.

Light Up Our World



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CANDALA of Peace & Sowing 'Seeds of Peace'

Everyone is invited to scatter grains of white rice, here used as a symbol of spiritual food, prosperity, fertility and primeval innocence. The scattering of rice within The Circle signifies the renewal of a promise and commitment to practice peace in our own everyday lives and relationships. The invitation is to say an intention or prayer for peace out loud or silently whilst making this symbolic peace offering.

Closing Speech

Other Ideas for you to consider

Use Peace PAX in whole or in part as the foundation for your own Peace ceremony. Invite guests to tie a turquoise ribbon on a tree as a symbol of a universal peace offering. Recite, discuss & reflect on inspiring poetry. Use either or both of the Peace PAX poems. Invite guests to bring an object which signifies a symbol of peace and give them an opportunity to share what it means to them, and to place it within or around the CANDALA of Peace.

Don't forget to share your experiences with us and the world by emailing info@theglobalcircleofpeace.com with details of your ceremony.

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