



the Peace Concert

*A Free Performance by Sri Chinmoy in Tribute to the Fortieth Anniversary of the United Nations
Monday, October 28, 1985, 8:00 PM, Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.*



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*our Special Invitation to Participate
in a Global Call for Peace—Inner Peace and World Peace—At
Sri Chinmoy's Lincoln Center Peace Concert*

Over the past 18 months, Sri Chinmoy has given over 40 Peace Concerts around the world in an effort to lay the inner foundation for a broad, new peace momentum. On October 28, 1985, he will bring his acclaimed Peace Concert series to Avery Fisher Hall at Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts in New York. This special concert—featuring original compositions on esraj, flute, cello, harmonium and other instruments—is being held in conjunction with the 40th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.

Sri Chinmoy's music is known for the serene, meditative atmosphere it creates, uplifting the spirit and focusing the mind on higher feelings. The haunting, lyrical quality of his compositions, and the profound stillness with which he imbues them while performing, offer a unique musical and spiritual experience.

The Peace Concerts are an outgrowth of the work Sri Chinmoy has been carrying out at the United Nations for the past 15 years. His twice-weekly meditations at the United Nations as well as the numerous seminars and peace programmes he has sponsored there have created a deeper

awareness of the spiritual dimension of the quest for world peace.

"If we say that the United Nations is a result of the 20th century awakening, then we are mistaken," Sri Chinmoy declared at one of his Dag Hammarskjöld lectures. "The United Nations is the outgrowth of the inner awakening of human beings from time immemorial." The significance of the United Nations, he believes, far transcends its temporary successes and failures in the geopolitical world. "The outer message of the United Nations is peace. The inner message of the United Nations is love. The inmost message of the United Nations is oneness."

Sri Chinmoy's Lincoln Center Peace Concert, offered free of charge, will bring together people who care deeply about peace, including United Nations officials, leaders from many countries and distinguished individuals from all walks of life. The concert will be a reaffirmation of faith in the future of mankind, a cry for peace that will echo and re-echo in the hearts of peace-lovers and peace-servers throughout the world.



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of Thousands Who Have Joined in a Worldwide Celebration of Inner Peace...



"This concert had been advertised as a Peace Concert, but it was clearly not an event to advertise peace or to raise money for peace. Sri Chinmoy's approach was totally different. He aimed to instill a profound sense of peace and harmony in the hearts of his audience by playing soulful music."

—Common Ground,
Melbourne, Australia

"These songs, in truth, come from Heaven itself. But there is no feeling of distance. For these songs remind us that this Heaven is inside ourselves. Is this not their essential worth?"

—Aurores, Paris

"More than 10,000 wanted to hear the 'Peace Concert' given by Sri Chinmoy in the *Sporthalle* on Saturday night, but only 8,000 found seats. They were seeking meditation and peace."

—Express, Cologne,
Federal Republic of Germany

"This was an evening for silent meditation . . . and for haunting tunes, played on an Indian flute, sitar and esraj . . . sent into the crisp evening air by the guru."

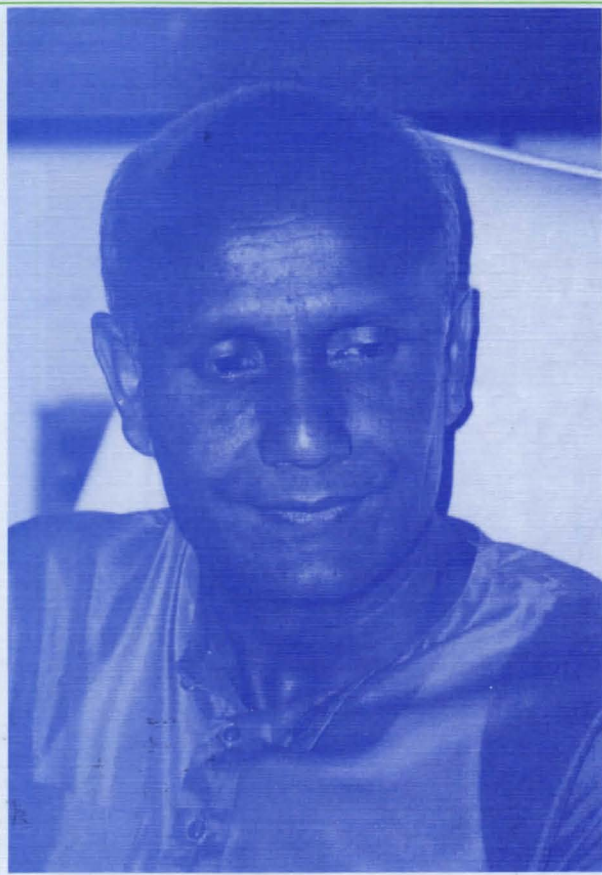
—Los Angeles Times

"One had the feeling that the crowd had not come for the music, but rather for what was between the compositions, that is, the inner peace that the sounds only served to prolong."

—Le Monde, Paris

"Sri Chinmoy is greatly inspired . . . His music is more than just music. It definitely touches an inner space."

—WOR-TV, New York



Sri Chinmoy on Peace:

"Peace begins when expectation ends."

"Man welcomes peace because it is in peace alone that he can have his own true achievement and fulfillment."

"In the doubting mind we can never feel the presence of peace. We can feel the presence of peace only in the loving heart. The doubting mind leads us to total frustration. The loving heart leads us to complete satisfaction."

"Early in the evening, between six and seven, is the best time to meditate for peace. Nature, as it offers its salutations to the setting sun, will inspire you, comfort you and help you in achieving peace."

"What is the first and foremost thing we expect from meditation? Peace."

"The peace we bring to the fore from the inner world through our prayer and meditation is very

strong, very powerful, and it lasts. So when we have that peace in our inner life, the outer life is bound to be transformed."

"Peace does not mean the absence of war . . . Peace means the presence of harmony, love, satisfaction and oneness. Peace means a flood of love in the world family."

"World peace can be achieved . . . when the Divine power of Love replaces the undivine love of power."

"To me, the United Nations is divine. Why? Because it is the fond child of the Supreme dedicated to promoting world peace."

"There is an appointed hour and at that appointed hour, which is God's choice hour, the inner dream—the real dream—of the United Nations will be transformed into reality. That dream is God's necessity to bring about world peace."

"If each individual in each nation can consciously and devotedly feel that he does not belong to a little family called 'I and mine' but to a larger family called 'We and ours,' then the message of the United Nations, the message of love, of brotherhood, of peace, of soulful sharing, can easily be received, embraced and executed by the entire world."

"Right now fear, doubt, anxiety, tension and disharmony are reigning supreme. But there shall come a time when this world of ours will be flooded with peace. Who is going to bring about the radical change? It will be you: you and your brothers and sisters . . . It will be you and your oneness heart, which is spread throughout the length and breadth of the world."

Admission to the Peace Concert is by reservation only. To reserve your free tickets, write to: The Peace Concert, P.O. Box 20380, Dag Hammarskjold Convenience Center, New York, NY 10017.
Or telephone (718) OK-PEACE.

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