

# ***IMAGINE***

## ***The Peace Ballad of John & Yoko***

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About 1950

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

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Photo Astrid Kirchherr, 1960

Digital print

K & K Collection, Hamburg

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Photo Jürgen Vollmer, 1961

Digital print

Courtesy Redferns, London

John Cage

##### ***Music Walk***

Performed by John Cage, David Tudor, Yoko Ono,  
and Mayuzumi Toshiro at the Sougetsu Art Center in Tokyo

Photo Oshioka Yasuhiro, 1962

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

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1935

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

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Digital print  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

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Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

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1965  
Film, 9 min 10 s  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono  
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1966 (replica)  
Text on canvas, glass, metal frame, metal chain, magnifying glass,  
painted ladder  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**Yoko Ono looking at *Ceiling Painting (YES Painting)*,  
Indica Gallery, London**  
1966  
Digital print  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Ceiling Painting (YES Painting)* (detail)**  
1966  
Digital print  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono  
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Painted wood panel, nails, painted hammer, chain  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono  
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1966 (replica)  
Apple, Plexiglas pedestal with brass plaque  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono  
***Grapefruit***  
Introduction by John Lennon  
New York, Simon and Schuster, 1970  
First published in 1964  
The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Library Collection

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono posing behind a copy of Ono's book *Grapefruit* at a book signing in Selfridges department store, London, July 15, 1971**  
Digital print  
Central Press / Getty Images

John Lennon  
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London, Jonathan Cape, 1964  
Cover photo by Robert Freeman, 1964  
The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Library Coll

John Lennon  
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London, Jonathan Cape, 1965  
Cover photo by Robert Freeman, 1965  
The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Library Collection

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**John Lennon and Yoko Ono outside the Robert Fraser Gallery, London, at the opening of his exhibition *You Are Here*, January 1, 1968**  
Photo Andrew Maclear  
Digital print  
Hulton Archive / Getty Images

Yoko Ono  
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1968  
Film, 49 min 08 s  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York  
John Lennon and Yoko Ono

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1968  
Music by John Lennon and Yoko Ono  
Film, 198 min 49 s  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon

***Apotheosis***

1969

Film, 17 min 41 s

Visuals by Nic Knowland

John Lennon and Yoko Ono

***Acorn Event***

Catalogue (facsimile)

Cover photo by Keith McMillan, 1968

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon and Yoko Ono

***Acorn Event***

Coventry, June 15, 1968

Photo Keith McMillan

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

***This Is Not Here***

Catalogue of an exhibition held at the Everson Museum of Art,  
Syracuse, New York, October 9–27, 1971

Guest artist: John Lennon

Private collection, Montreal

Yoko Ono

***This Is Not Here***

Poster for an exhibition held at the Everson Museum of Art,  
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Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon

***John Lennon / Plastic Ono Band***

1970

Record cover

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

***Yoko Ono / Plastic Ono Band***

1970

Record cover

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

With the solo album *John Lennon / Plastic Ono*

John Lennon and Yoko Ono

***Wedding Album***

1969

Record box set  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

The Beatles  
***The Beatles (The White Album)***  
1968  
Record cover  
Collection Gilles Valiquette

John Lennon and Yoko Ono  
***Unfinished Music No. 1: Two Virgins***  
1968  
Record cover  
Collection Gilles Valiquette

John Lennon and Yoko Ono  
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1969  
Record cover  
Collection Gilles Valiquette

Plastic Ono Band  
***Live Peace in Toronto***  
1969  
Record cover  
Collection Gilles Valiquette

John Lennon  
***Instant Karma!***  
1970  
45 rpm record cover  
Private collection, Montreal

## **Gallery 4 – *The Bed-In 1969***

***John & Yoko: The Bed-in***  
***(All We Are Saying Is Give Peace a Chance)***  
May 26–June 2, 1969, Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal  
Film, 73 57 s  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**Yoko Ono and John Lennon after their wedding in Gibraltar,  
March 20, 1969**  
Photo David Nutter  
Digital print  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Ivor Sharp, 1969

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon

**Handwritten lyrics to “Give Peace a Chance”**

1969

Facsimile

Private collection, New York

**Gibson J-160E acoustic-electric guitar**

1964 (replica)

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Plastic Ono Band

***Give Peace a Chance***

1969

45 rpm record cover

Private collection, Montreal

Plastic Ono Band

***Give Peace a Chance***

45 rpm record, first pressing (only copy)

Collection of Mr. and Mrs. André Perry

**Reel-to-reel tape containing “Give Peace a Chance” and  
“Remember Love,” recorded at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel,  
Montreal, 1969**

Collection of Mr. and Mrs. André Perry

***Bed Peace.***

Sign posted in the Hilton Hotel room during the  
Amsterdam Bed-in, 1969

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Hair Peace.***

Sign posted at the Hilton Hotel room during the  
Amsterdam Bed-in, 1969

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Bag One***

Invitation

1970

Offset lithograph

***Bag One***

Text presenting the series of drawings

Copy number, 295/300

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

John Lennon  
***Bag One, cover sheet***

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Cinnamon Press, New York  
Galerie Denise René,

John Lennon  
***Bag One. An Alphabet (This is my story  
both humble and true)***

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

John Lennon  
***Bag One. Untitled (Wedding ceremony in Gibraltar)***

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

John Lennon  
***Bag One. I Do (In front of the registrar in Gibraltar)***

1970  
Offset lithogra

John Lennon  
***Bag One. The Honeymoon***

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

John Lennon  
***Progression of Events around Wedding and Bed-in***

1969  
Pen and ink on paper  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon  
***Bag One. Bed-in for Peace***

1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

John Lennon  
***Bed-in***

1969  
Pen and ink on paper  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon  
***John and Yoko Hugging***  
*Bag One* logo  
1969

Pen and ink on paper  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon  
***Bag One. John and Yoko***  
1970  
Offset lithograph  
Galerie Denise René, Paris

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono in a bag (Bagism),  
with interviewer Eamonn Andrews waiting for them in a bed,  
for the BBC program *Today*, April 1, 1969**  
Photo by Bob Aylott  
Digital print

## ***Gallery 5 – War is Over! If You Want It 1969***

John Lennon  
***War Is Over! If You Want It***  
***Love and Peace from John & Yoko***  
1969  
Poster  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**Yoko Ono and John Lennon during the “War Is Over! If You  
Want It” campaign, on the steps of the Apple Building,  
London, December 1, 1969**  
Photo by Frank Barratt  
Digital print  
Getty Images

***War Is Over! If You Want It***  
Peace campaign, London, 1969  
Photo William H. Alden/Stringer  
Digital print  
Evening Standard / Getty Images

***E fi nita la guerra! Se voi le volete***  
Peace campaign, Rome, 1969

Digital print  
Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Der Krieg ist aus! Wenn du es willst***

Peace campaign, Berlin, 1969

Photo Eric Thomas

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***War Is Over! If You Want It***

Peace campaign, New York, Times Square, 1969

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

John Lennon

**“Dear World”**

1970

Handwritten letter

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Power to the People (excerpt from Imagine)***

[1972]

Video, 3 min 46 s

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***I Don't Want To Be a Soldier (excerpt from Imagine)***

[1972]

Video, 3 min 46 s

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Happy Xmas (excerpt from Lennon Legend)***

Video, 3 min 34 s

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Give Peace a Chance (excerpt from Lennon Legend)***

Video, 5 min 8 s

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Jonas Mekas

***Bed-in: John Lennon & Yoko Ono***

1962, Montreal

Courtesy Jonas Mekas / Maya Stendhal Gallery, New York

4 min 21 s

***I Met the Walrus***

Starring John Lennon and Jerry Levitan

2007

Film, 5 min 10 s

Written, directed and animated by Josh Raskin

Produced by Jerry Levitan  
Pen illustration by James Braithwaite  
Computer illustration by Alex Kurina  
Produced with the assistance of a Bravo!FACT (A Foundation to Assist Canadian Talent)  
grant, supported by CTV

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono arriving at the  
Montreal airport**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**The Ono Lennon family (Yoko Ono, John Lennon  
and Kyoko Cox) arriving at the Montreal airport**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**The Ono Lennon family leaving the Montreal airport  
in a police car**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**Singer Michèle Richard and actress Dominique Michel,  
waiting for the Ono Lennon family at the Montreal airport**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**John Lennon autographing *Unfinished Music Vol. 1*  
and Yoko Ono reading fan mail, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**Two fans hiding in the closet of Room 1742 of the  
Queen Elizabeth Hotel during the Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**The Ono Lennon family leaving the Montreal airport  
with police escort**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono surrounded by journalists,**

**Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal / Jacques Bourdon*

**John Lennon, Yoko Ono and Roger Scott, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**John Lennon, Yoko Ono and Kyoko Cox  
surrounded by journalists**

Photo Pierry Dury, 1969

Digital print

Courtesy Pierre Dury

**John Lennon with guitar, Yoko Ono on the telephone,  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**John Lennon, Yoko Ono, unknown woman and Timothy Leary,  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**Drawing, guitar, photo of John Lennon, and amp,  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**John Lennon giving instructions before the recording  
of "Give Peace a Chance," Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal / Jacques Bourdon*

**André Perry preparing for the recording  
of "Give Peace a Chance," Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**John Lennon with guitar, Yoko Ono with song sheet,  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**Handwritten lyrics to “Give Peace a Chance,”  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collection

**John Lennon with cigarette, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Alain Radu, 1969

Digital print

Paul and Suzanne Etheridge Collec

**“All Together, Now,” Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Gerry Deiter, 1969

Digital print

Joan Athey, Peaceworks Now Productions

**The recording of “Give Peace a Chance,”  
at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel during the Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**Fans singing “Give Peace a Chance,” Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**Fans providing back-up vocals for “Give Peace a Chance,”  
Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Jacques Bourdon, 1969

Digital print

*Le Journal de Montréal* / Jacques Bourdon

**The morning after, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Gerry Deiter, 1969

Digital print

Joan Athey, Peaceworks Now Productions

**Montreal Bed-in**

Fish-eye crop photo by Gerry Deiter, 1969

Digital print

Joan Athey, Peaceworks Now Productions

**Fans, Montreal Bed-in**

Photo Gerry Deiter, 1969

Digital print

Joan Athey, Peaceworks Now Productions

**André Perry and John Lennon at the recording  
of “Give Peace a Chance” and “Remember Love,”  
Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal**

1969

Digital print

Collection of Mr. and Mrs. André Perry

**“Boosting Peace: John and Yoko in Canada”**

*Rolling Stone*, June 28, 1969

The Montreal Museum of Fine Arts Library Collection

**“Lennon Plus Perry May Make Quebec  
Record Industry Swing”**

*Montreal Star*, August 9, 1969

Newspaper clipping

Collection of Mr. and Mrs. André Perry

**Gallery 6 – *Imagine* 1971**

***Imagine***

1972

Film, 71 min

Directed by Steve Gebhardt

Produced by Phil Spector

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**John Lennon**

Photo Iain McMillan, 1971

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**John Lennon at the piano in Tittenhurst Park,  
England**

Photo Peter Fordham, 1971

Digital print

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**White Baldwin piano**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO PLAY “IMAGINE” ON THE PIANO**

John Lennon

***Imagine***

1971

Record cover

Collection Thierry Planelle

John Lennon

**Handwritten lyrics to “Imagine”**

Recorded between June 23 and July 5, 1971, and released on October 2, 1971, on the album *Imagine*

1971

Facsimile

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

***Glass Keys to Open the Skies***

1967 (replica)

Four glass keys in a Plexiglas box, brass hinges

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

***White Chess Set***

1966 (replica)

Wood chess table, two wood chairs, wood chess set, all painted white

Engraved on brass plate on table underside: CHESS SET FOR

PLAYING AS LONG AS YOU CAN REMEMBER WHERE ALL YOUR  
PIECES ARE YOKO ONO 1966

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

***Gallery 7 – Some time in New York City 1971-1972***

**View of New York (from the Twin Towers), June 1977**

Photo Bob Gruen

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

John and Yoko / Plastic Ono Band with Elephant's Memory

***Some Time in New York City***

1972

Record cover

Collection Thierry Planelle

John Lennon and Yoko Ono / Plastic Ono Band

***Power to the People***

1971

45 rpm record cover

Private collection, Montreal

***John Lennon Concert***

Benefit concert for One to One, August 30, 1972,  
Madison Square Garden, New York

Video, 25 min 53 (excerpt xx, min)

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**John Lennon in front of the Statue of Liberty,  
New York, October 30, 1974**

Photo Bob Gruen

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono, "In Love,"**

**Fillmore East, New York**

Photo Bob Gruen, 1972

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono, New York**

Photo Bob Gruen, 1972

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

**John Lennon, New York**

Photo Bob Gruen, 1974

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

**John Lennon, holding his green card, and Yoko Ono,  
New York**

Photo Bob Gruen, 1976

Digital print

Courtesy Bob Gruen

**Galleries 8 and 9 – *Imagine Peace***

Yoko Ono

***Imagine Peace***

2008

Installation

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

***Telephone Piece***

1997

Installation

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

*Play It By Trust*

1991

Installation

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

**Banner**

**John Lennon and Yoko Ono declaring at a press conference  
on April 1, 1973, the creation of a conceptual political  
community called Nutopia**

Photo Bob Gruen, 1973

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York<

Yoko Ono

*Imagine Peace Tower*

Documentary, 2007

10 min 22 s

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York

Yoko Ono

*Wish Tree*

1997

Installation

Collection Yoko Ono Lennon, New York