## Stand by Me

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"My name is Roger Ridley and I'm in the joy business..."

In 2005, we recorded Roger Ridley on the streets of Santa Monica playing "Stand By Me." This original live performance was the starting point of our first Song Around The World which has surpassed 120 million views since it was first uploaded to YouTube 10 years ago today. As we celebrate this milestone, we are happy to share this unreleased video of the moment that started it all.

# Getting Lost is One Way of Getting Found

Jah Fakya — Let's Fake Our Death and Move to Jamaica by <a href="Playing for Change">Playing for Change</a>

Brendan O'Hara performs his original song, "Jah Fakya," filmed live outside in Austin, Texas, USA.

This feel-good song showcases Brendan not only singing but also playing the guitar, keyboard, and melodica as well as looping himself to create a true one-man band.

As he states in the lyrics, "getting lost is one way of getting found..."; we invite you to get lost in this song and hope that you find nothing but joy!

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## Music for Elephants

Short summary of Paul Barton's work:

by <u>AsiaWorks</u> April 1, 2016

Music for Elephants is a unique and moving documentary about a British concert-pianist playing music to blind, injured and orphaned elephants with extraordinary results. For more information visit <a href="http://www.musicforelephants.com">http://www.musicforelephants.com</a>

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12 Bar Blues - Piano Duet with Peter the Elephant - Thailand

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hjsu3SGAdLs

Please read the description for more information about the content of this video.

More videos: "Music for Elephants"

Piano Duet

Watch Peter the elephant discover/play the clarinet:

http://youtu.be/4iyxUK\_e5nU

Light-heated musical mayhem when Peter the elephant joins in a 12 bar blues on piano with his trunk — entirely of his own accord.

I've noticed elephants, such as Peter have moods at different times of day. Usually in the cooler early evening before nightfall (In Thailand) they are in a more relaxed and potentially playful mood.

Peter the elephant lives at <a href="http://www.elephantstay.com">http://www.elephantstay.com</a> Thailand.

Photos playing piano for elephants in Thailand

There are other similar albums on this Goggle+ account.

With reference to recent comments (19/11/2013)

- \* The "guy" in the background is Pat, Peter's mahout. He is Thai. A mahout is a person that devotes his or her life to looking after an elephant, usually in Asia. This is a dangerous job.
- \* Pat is responsible for Peter's well-being, day and night, all year round. Pat's daily duties include keeping Peter safe from other bull elephants as well as looking after visitors to Peter's home at the Royal Elephant Kraal in Ayutthaya, Thailand.
- \* Pat and Peter have a special bond.
- \* Pat is not reading a magazine in this video, he is filming with his tablet.
- \* Pat is not prodding Peter, he is just reminding him not to get too carried away and smash the piano keys with his heavy trunk as he has, unintentionally, on previous occasions.
- \* The chain around Peter's neck is flimsy. It is there so Pat can walk at Peter's side and guide him occasionally around vehicles or other potentially harmful bull elephants on the way to bath and drink in the river, for instance. Those with experience working with elephants in Thailand know this flimsy chain is no restraint to an elephant whatsoever. It is not there to cause Peter any harm, just the reverse.
- \* Peter has NOT been trained to play piano. This video is Peter's spontaneous reaction to a piano during a brief encounter one evening between Peter and Paul Barton, a visiting pianist to the elephant Kraal where Peter lives.
- \* This video is one of a series in "Music for Elephants". There are 23 videos with piano and elephants in this playlist

\* Piano keys are no longer made of ivory. The piano in this video has plastic keys. All piano keys are made from synthetic polymers and plastics. The use of ivory for piano keys decreased dramatically after World War II and thankfully stopped altogether in 1989 with the CITIES worldwide ban on ivory trade.

### Don't Dream It's Over

Don't Dream It's Over by Neil Finn

Published on Nov 24, 2015

There is freedom within
There is freedom without
Try to catch the deluge in a paper cup
There's a battle ahead
Many battles are lost
But you'll never see the end of the road while
you're traveling with me

Hey now, hey now
Don't dream it's over
Hey now, hey now
When the world comes in
They come, they come
To build a wall between us

We know that they won't win

Now I'm towing my car
There's a hole in the roof
My possessions are causing me suspicion, but there's
no proof
In the paper today
Tales of war and of waste
But you turn right over to the TV page

Hey now, hey now
Don't dream it's over
Hey now, hey now
When the world comes in
They come, they come
To build a wall between us
We know that they won't win

Now I'm walking again
To the beat of a drum
And I'm counting the steps to the door of your heart
Only shadows ahead
Barely clearing the roof
Get to know the feeling of liberation and release

Hey now, hey now
Don't dream it's over
Hey now, hey now
When the world comes in
They come, they come
To build a wall between us
You know that they won't win

Don't let them win

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(Hey now, hey now)

Hey now, hey now

Hey now, hey now

Don't let them win

(They come, they come)

Don't let them win

(Hey now, hey now) yeah

(Hey now, hey now)
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## Love's Song of Freedom | What You Gonna Do About Me

Love's Song of Freedom & What You're Gonna Do About Me by Terry Callier

**Love Theme from Spartacus** 

Can it be? Do you hear?

A new freedom song is ringing

No more dark, no more fear

There's a new day that it's bringing

Something simple is the key

Only love will set us free

It's so far, it's so near

Almost close, almost here

#### What About Me?

What you gonna do about me?

Oh, what you gonna do about me

Oh, what you gonna do about me

You poisoned our sweet water

And you chopped down our green trees.

The food they sell to children

Is the cause of their disease.

My world is slowly meltin' down

And the air's not fit to breathe

Those of us who care enough

Are strugglin' to be free.

Oh, what you gonna do about me

I work inside your factories

I struggle in your schools

I fill your penitentiaries

And your military too

I feel the whole world tremblin'

As the world is passed around

If you stand up for what you believe in

Then be prepared to get shot down

Oh, what you gonna do about me

I feel just like a stranger

Blamed for things I've never done

I'm livin' like an outlaw

I'm always on the run

Oh, what you gonna do about me

**Terrence Orlando "Terry" Callier** (May 24, 1945 — October 27, 2012) was an American <u>soul</u>, <u>folk</u> and <u>jazz</u> guitarist and singer-songwriter.

## All Along the Watchtower

#### All Along the Watchtower

written by Bob Dylan

There must be some kind of way outta here Said the joker to the thief
There's too much confusion
I can't get no relief

Business men, they drink my wine Plowman dig my earth None were level on the mind Nobody up at his word Hey, hey

No reason to get excited
The thief he kindly spoke
There are many here among us
Who feel that life is but a joke
But, uh, but you and I, we've been through that

And this is not our fate So let us stop talkin' falsely now The hour's getting late, hey

All along the watchtower
Princes kept the view
While all the women came and went
Barefoot servants, too
Outside in the cold distance
A wildcat did growl
Two riders were approaching
And the wind began to howl

## Love Train — People Get Ready

#### Love Train

performed by The O'Jays

People all over the world (everybody)
Join hands (join)
Start a love train, love train
People all over the world (all the world, now)
Join hands (love ride)
Start a love train (love ride), love train

The next stop that we make will be England
Tell all the folks in Russia, and China, too
Don't you know that it's time to get on board
And let this train keep on riding, riding on through
Well, well

People all over the world (you don't need no money)
Join hands (come on)

Start a love train, love train (don't need no ticket, come on)

People all over the world (Join in, ride this train)
Join in (Ride this train, y'all)

Start a love train (Come on, train), love train

All of you brothers over in Africa
Tell all the folks in Egypt, and Israel, too
Please don't miss this train at the station
'Cause if you miss it, I feel sorry, sorry for you
Well

People all over the world (Sisters and brothers)
Join hands (join, come on)
Start a love train (ride this train, y'all), love
train (Come on)
People all over the world (Don't need no tickets)
Join hands (come on, ride)
Start a love train, love train

Ride, let it ride
Let it ride
Let it ride
People, ain't no war
People all over the world (on this train)
Join in (ride the train)
Start a love train, love train (ride the train, y'all)
People all over the world (come on)

Join hands (you can ride or stand, yeah)
Start a love train, love train (makin' love)
People all over the world ('round the world, y'all)
Join hands (come on)
Start a love train, love train

Songwriters: Kenneth Gamble / Leon Huff

The O'Jays are an American R&B group from Canton, Ohio, formed in 1958 and originally consisting of Eddie Levert, Walter Lee Williams, William Powell, Bobby Massey and Bill Isles.

#### People Get Ready

Performed by Eva Cassidy

People get ready
There's a train a comin'
You don't need no baggage
You just get on board
All you need is faith
To hear the diesels hummin'
You don't need no ticket
You just thank the Lord

So people get ready
There'a a train to Jordan
Picking up passengers
Coast to coast
Faith is the key
Open the doors and board them
There's hope for all
Among those loved the most

There ain't no room
For the hopeless sinner
Who would hurt all mankind
Just to save his own
Have pity on those whose
Chances grow thinner
There's no hiding place

#### Against the Kingdom's throne

So people get ready
There's a train a comin'
You don't need no baggage
You just get on board
All you need is faith
To hear the diesels hummin'
Don't need no ticket
You just thank the Lord

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Writer: Curtis Mayfield

Eva Marie Cassidy (February 2, 1963 — November 2, 1996) was an American singer and guitarist known for her interpretations of jazz, folk, and blues music, born with a powerful, emotive soprano voice. In 1992, she released her first album, The Other Side, a set of duets with gogo musician Chuck Brown, followed by the 1996 live solo album titled Live at Blues Alley. Although she had been honored by the Washington Area Music Association, she was virtually unknown outside her native Washington, D.C. She died of melanoma in 1996 at the age of 33.

## Skin Deep

Source: Playing For Change

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Playing For Change and Buddy Guy united to record and film his

anthem, "Skin Deep" across America. The song includes over 50 musicians from coast to coast featuring Buddy Guy, Tom Morello, Billy Branch, Chicago Children's Choir, and Roots Gospel Voices of Mississippi. Originally, this was going to be a song across Chicago to bring light to all the violent shootings across the city but as time marched on, along with various shootings across our country, we realized we needed to expand our vision and use this song as a tool to unite our divided nation.

The Listen to the Music series is our newest body of work comprising 12 new Songs Around The World. and featuring Buddy Guy, The Doobie Brothers, Warren Haynes, Dr. John, Jack Johnson, the Preservation Hall Jazz Band, and many more. All music in this series was recorded live outside with a mobile studio and features over 200 musicians from 25 different countries. The album will be released on April 20th 2018 (preorder available now), with one new video from the series dropping every month! 100% of Playing For Change's profits from this album will go to the Playing For Change Foundation, helping to support music education across the globe. Listen to the music; change the world!

Pre-order the album now: <a href="http://bit.ly/2EA9wE8">http://bit.ly/2EA9wE8</a>