

Mp3 Peter Pardine - The First Album



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Inspirational Details: There has been a long hiatus between the production of my short-lived off-Broadway musical, How Fair, in 1960 (Tuthill Productions) and the release of my first cd album, The First Album:

Compositions for Piano and Other Musical Voices. Whether it was fate, serendipity, or some other random process that led me back to composing music, I am not sure. What I am sure of, however, is that we are living in a time of turmoil, both at home and abroad. We live in a time when we are emotionally shut off from others; current technology disconnects us. And, the speed of life often separates us from ourselves. We are living in a time when we are shutting down our own hearts. I believe we need

something that brings us back to center, where we can enjoy our lives in a harmonious state. Music can offer a path to this end and the music that I create, hopefully, can help to open our hearts and soothe our busy minds. I am Peter Angelo Pardine, a retired college professor living in Chicago. Trained as a social psychologist, I spent 35 years teaching and conducting research at the New York Institute of Technology, a private college on Long Island, NY. I am not a trained musician; I studied piano for 6 months when I was 12 years old. And, a few lessons in violin, flute, trumpet, and baritone round out my personal history in the study of music. Friends have referred to my talent as natural talent; what I have, I have no idea.

But, I do know that there is an enduring process of some kind that permits the creation of music from the heart. I say enduring because there was a period of 45+ years that I did not play the piano. Oh, I enjoyed listening to music. I was in awe of the compositions by Hamlisch, Legrand, Webber, Elmer and Leonard Bernstein, and Sondheim, as well as the moving arrangements of Peter Matz. Yet, I really had no desire to play or compose music. The passion to create music, however, was rekindled three years ago when my partner, Rudy, and I visited our extended family in Maryland. They had just purchased a baby grand; I

sat down at the piano and 45 years became a moment in timesongs from How Fair came back to me as if I had just written them. The heartfelt joy of playing my music overwhelmed me, as it did Rudy. For my birthday in December of 2004, Rudy surprised me with a Yamaha baby grand and that was all it took. Since then I have amassed a catalogue of more than 40 songs just about one for each year that I was away from the piano. The First Album is dedicated to this most special person whose love and support helped to bring the album to fruition. Without Rudy, there would be no music! The First Album contains 12 of my songs. All were recorded on a Yamaha Clavinova (CVP 309GP), an amazing instrument that is programmed with the virtual and recorded sounds of over 450 musical voices/instruments. As an independent artist, the Clavinova has permitted me to arrange and perform my compositions with the fidelity of an advantaged recording artist who has the resources of an orchestra and a concert hall. The listener can hear 2 minute streams of the songs from the album here at cdBaby. However, at my website: peterpardine.com, three songs can be heard in their entirety. Sound quality at my site is very good, and I welcome visitors to my site to hear my music. Enjoy the sounds, Peter

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