Emma’s Revolution

"Fervent and heartfelt" — The New York Times

Emma's Revolution is the dynamic, award-winning activist duo of Pat Humphries & Sandy O, whose songs have been sung for the Dalai Lama, praised by Pete Seeger, and covered by Holly Near. With beautiful harmonies and genre-defying eclecticism, Emma’s Revolution delivers the energy and strength of their convictions, in an uprising of truth and hope for these tumultuous times.

“The powers that be can control the media but it’s hard to stop a good song... Pat’s songs will be sung well into the 22nd century.” — Pete Seeger (All Things Considered, NPR)

Emma’s Revolution has shared the stage with Pete Seeger, Holly Near, Rev Jesse Jackson, Amy Goodman, Indigo Girls, Joan Baez, Rev William Barber and Bill McKibben and has performed at concerts, justice events and mass demonstrations across the country, including the #FamiliesBelongTogether Day of Action in San Francisco, Women’s March Oakland and the Poor People’s Campaign National Demonstration in Washington DC.

The duo’s latest CD, Revolution Now, garnered top acclaim from radio stations across the country: Top Artist #20 (after Joan Baez), Top Album #24 (after Bela Fleck) and Top Song #25 "Sing People Sing" (after Rhiannon Giddens). Revolution Now covers issues from reproductive justice to refugees and Black Lives Matter to the sustaining power of love. “Sing People Sing” is the duo’s loving and moving tribute to Pete Seeger that captures Pete’s unique ability to empower an audience with harmony and hope. A dear friend and mentor to her, Pat was at Pete’s bedside when he passed, “singing his songs back to him in gratitude for all the times he had left home to sing to us”. Revolution Now also includes the duo’s beautiful setting of Woody Guthrie’s plaintive lyric, “Revolutionary Mind”, one of the many lyrics Woody left behind without an existing melody. With a core sound featuring their signature exquisite harmonies and acoustic guitars, the duo’s songs span styles from folk to jazz and funk to rock.

“Emma’s Revolution invokes Woody Guthrie and the revolutionary mind on ‘Revolution Now’, a rocking new album brimming with songs that inspire, enlighten and unify.” — Mary Sue Twohy (The Village, SiriusXM)

Emma’s Revolution continues to write songs that are tools of inspiration and motivation to fuel today’s resistance movements. Their video “So Impeachable”, a humorous and biting song parody of “Unforgettable”, was released the week of the July Mueller hearings and has been shared widely on social media. The duo debuted “Trumpty Dumpty (That’s An Emergency)” at the Day of Action opposing President Trump’s national emergency declaration. And their stunningly powerful song and video, “I Believe Her”, written in support of Dr Christine Blasey Ford, Dr Anita Hill and all survivors, was called “the musical equivalent of breaking news” by KPFA Radio.

Emma’s Revolution are winners of the Grand Prize in the John Lennon Songwriting Contest and the first Phil Ochs Award. Their music has been featured on NPR’s All Things Considered and Pacifica’s Democracy Now. Emma’s Revolution were performers at the Parliament of the World’s Religions, performing to an audience of 10,000, and are contributors to the Grammy-nominated CDs, Singing Through the Hard Times - A Tribute to Utah Phillips and Seeds: The Songs of Pete Seeger Vol 3.

In the spirit of Emma Goldman’s famous attribution, “If I can’t dance, I don’t want to be part of your revolution,” Emma’s Revolution brings their uprising of truth and hope to concerts, festivals, conferences and justice events. The duo has given thousands of performances throughout the US and around the world in Canada, Chile, Korea, Scotland, England, Israel, Palestine, Nicaragua and Cuba. Emma’s Revolution consistently delivers performances so powerful, audiences leap to their feet to demand more.

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