

Songs of Pride and Peace--A collection of original music by and for Liberians

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An album of original songs by Liberian artists that speak to the themes of Liberian pride and peace-building. The album will be available online for streaming and download and may also be pressed for limited CD distribution. Streaming will be free, download and CD will be available for a nominal donation to Survivors' Truths, supporting our contribution to Liberia's peace-building effort.

Why a collection of Liberian music?

- Because there is a lot of good music out there
- To raise awareness of and funds for our project
- To engage Liberian diaspora especially in supporting grassroots peace-building

Who should be involved?

- We are looking for Liberian artists who want to promote their music while contributing to peace-building and reconciliation efforts in Liberia.
- We are also looking for groups (associations, online communities) who will help us promote and distribute the collection.

How do I participate?

Everyone

- "Like" Survivors' Truths on [FaceBook](#) and [Twitter](#).
- Spread the word to your friends and family.

Recording Artists

- Share an original song/spoken word piece in MP3 format.
- Sign a [licensing agreement](#) giving us permission to distribute and accept donations for your work. Scan and email to admin@survivorstruths.org.

Visual Artists

- Prepare a CD cover design and submit in .jpg format.

Background Information

Survivors' Truths seeks to uncover the stories of how people come through the unthinkable with strength and dignity. We are currently working with Liberian NGOs across sectors to support communities in finding ways to carry the past without being consumed by it. *Survivors' Truths: Trying to be all right in Liberia* is photo documentary project consisting of approximately thirty interviews and portraits of Liberian war survivors and has already been featured at several venues and events in the U.S., most significantly at the 2009 Liberian Independence Day celebration in Washington, DC. In 2010, we took it back to Liberia to see if and how we might use the project and the approach to support those working for peace on the ground. Together with our Liberian friends, we created a plan that includes a national peace-building conference, an installation at the national museum, and materials for distribution around the country.