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LOVE SONGS FOR OUR NEIGHBOURS - 2021 World Interfaith Harmony Week Sacred Music  
Concert and Conversations with Musicians.

Dear Helen,

I would like you to know how very much I appreciate the wonderful gift you have given us – the presentation of Sacred Music from Diverse traditions. This is unique and very special, not a concert but a glimpse of how many religions use sound and music as a way or practice to the sacred.

Our teacher Hazrat Inayat Khan taught us through music and sound in our practice; he was a classical Indian musician and wrote The Mysticism of Sound and Music. Music and sound are part of our practice – our Zikar is sung, and many of our Wazifas (Names of God) have been put to music.

The principles of World Interfaith Harmony Week, of Love of God and Love of the Neighbour or Love of the Good and Love of the Neighbour, is very close to the heart of Sufism, so this bringing together of these ideals through music is profound and fundamental to humanity, especially at this time during the COVID pandemic. It is about Love, Harmony and Beauty, which acts as a bridge amongst diverse communities bringing joy and strengthening our spirits as we deal with these difficulties.

You brought so many religious traditions of music and sound together – from ancient Aboriginal practice to modern songs and music. I would love to learn and experience more of this, especially the Aboriginal connection to the sacred.

Most moving for me was the sharing by the musicians at the end. It was a profound expression of their feeling and connection with the sacred through music, a beautiful offering to our local and global neighbours.

I have listened to the concert several times and shared it with my Sufi sisters and brothers in Australia and Internationally.

Thank you,

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