

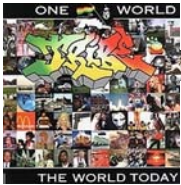
ONE WORLD TRIBE

One World Tribe began performing in 1994, started by bandleader Kennedy Thompson with diversity, justice and great music in mind. Covering music by Bob Marley, Santana, Ruben Blades, The Meters, Stevie Wonder and Johnny Klegg, the group quickly developed a fan base in Erie, Buffalo, Pittsburgh and the surrounding areas of Northwestern Pennsylvania and Upstate New York.

Original music gradually replaced much of the cover material, as the Tribe's fan base continued to expand. Rochester and Syracuse became regular stops, with frequent trips to Harrisburgh and State College. Songs like NO JUSTICE, NO PEACE, MONEY DON'T MAKE IT RIGHT, and Award-winning UNITY AND DIVERSITY, the title-track of their first album, made the band's message clear, and entertained at the same time.



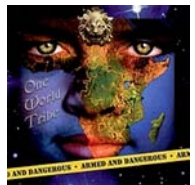
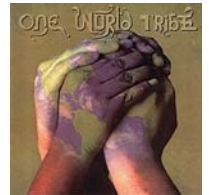
After some years of pounding the beat in clubs, festivals, colleges, schools, street fairs and community celebrations, One World Tribe released their second CD, *The World Today*, rhythmic club-tested grooves with a World Music focus. This "collection of seven stunning original tunes" [\[1\]](#) brought more of the Tribe's sound and message to a continually expanding audience.



In 2004, One World Tribe became a member of the Pennsylvania Performing Artists on Tour [\[PennPAT\]](#) roster, increasing the touring reach of the shows. Tours have included Lancaster, Harrisburg and

Philadelphia, PA, and New Jersey, West Virginia, Baltimore, MD and Atlanta, GA.

More recently, the group has been included in the Pennsylvania Arts Council grant listing, supporting residencies in schools. This brings world-class musicianship to young people, and allows One World Tribe to teach them authentic World Music styles, and to demonstrate the acceptance for each other's differences that the group exemplifies



- *"From reggae to soul, Hip hop to funk, Jazz to salsa to African pop, they cover styles like water covers the globe"*
Dave Richards, Erie Daily Times
- *"The musicianship is impeccable and One World Tribe keeps the energy level poppin'"*
Jamie Moses, Buffalo Art Voice
- *"One World Tribe is tighter than any band that comes thru town, much less any band from town"*
Randy Baumann, WDTV Radio Pittsburgh
- *"They mistrust power, decry poverty and violence, urge tolerance and respect of peoples differences. And yet - beyond the lyrics - they say all this by the simple act of standing together on stage making music"*
Doc Rock, Erie Daily Times

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