# WORLD HARMONY RUJI





Sri Chinmoy







Harmony begins with me!

#### 140 Countries • 6 Continents • Running Over 35,000 Miles



## The World Harmony Run is a global torch relay that symbolizes humanity's universal aspiration for a more harmonious world.

Now in its third decade, the World Harmony Run is one of the world's largest and most enduring grassroots efforts for peace. Since its inception the torch has visited more than 140 nations.

Along the route people in thousands of communities from children to senior citizens, from everyday folks to world leaders ioin the World Harmony Runners by running with the torch, all of us adding our hopes and dreams in a global wave of friendship and goodwill. Through direct participation and media coverage, World the Harmony Run will touch the lives of millions.



Making a wish for world peace.

No money is being raised, no political cause is being promoted. Rather, everyone is invited to take a step towards a better world.

Everyone can participate: athletes and non-athletes, young and old alike. Carry the torch a few steps, a few blocks or a few miles, or join in one of the thousands of welcoming ceremonies along the route. All it takes is your commitment to take a step for world harmony.



Children – Tomorrow's World Leaders: The World Harmony Run brings the message of peace and friendship to students in thousands of schools around the world.

#### Torch-Bearer Award

The World Harmony Run offers its Torch-Bearer Award to recognize and honor those who have made significant contributions of service to their community -- whether they are Presidents or schoolchildren.



You and your community are invited to nominate recipients for the Torch-Bearer Award. This girl was chosen by her classmates.

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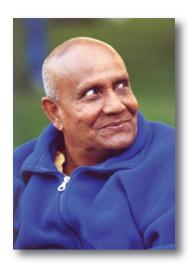
Nelson Mandela, former President of South Africa, and his wife Mama Graça Machel, with Sri Chinmoy.



Former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev holds the torch with Raisa Maximovna as Sri Chinmoy looks on.



**Mother Teresa** and Sri Chinmoy celebrate the spirit of harmony.



#### Founder - Sri Chinmoy

The World Harmony Run was founded in 1987 by the late peace visionary Sri Chinmoy in a spirit of love, harmony and oneness. This spirit permeates the Run and touches the hearts of all those who participate.

An athlete, philosopher, artist, musician and poet, Sri Chinmoy dedicated his life to advancing the ideals of world friendship and oneness.





#### **Organizers**

The World Harmony Run is organized by volunteers inspired by Sri Chinmoy's vision of a more peaceful world. In cities and towns, we partner with

community groups and local officials in staging welcoming ceremonies for the Runners and events for youth.



#### **Schools**

Through classroom presentations World Harmony Runners from various nationalities share valuable lessons in friendship, cultural diversity and peace building.



#### **Follow Us Online**

You can also participate online, where we post stories and photos of events as they happen around the world. Visit our website **www.worldharmonyrun.org** for schedule information.



Queen Elizabeth II lights a beacon to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of VE Day.



Nine-time Olympic gold medalist **Carl Lewis** lights the torch at the Statue of Liberty.



**Muhammad Ali**, world renowned boxing great, reflects on harmony.



























#### COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES PARTICIPATING SINCE 1987

Albania Andorra Antarctica Antigua & Barbuda Armenia Argentina Australia Austria Azerbaijan Bahamas Bangladesh Barbados Belarus **Belgium** Belize Benin **Bhutan** Bosnia & Herzegovina

Botswana Brazil Brunei Darussalam Bulgaria Cambodia Cameroon Canada Chile China Colombia Cook Islands Costa Rica Croatia Cyprus Czech Republic Denmark **Dominica Ecuador** 

Egypt El Salvador **England** Estonia Ethiopia Fiji Finland France Gambia Georgia Germany Ghana Greece Grenada Guatemala Guyana Honduras Hungary

Iceland India Indonesia Ireland Israel Italy Ivory Coast Jamaica Japan Jordan Kazakhstan Kenya Kyrgyzstan Latvia Liberia Liechtenstein Lithuania Luxembourg

Macedonia Malaysia Maldives Mali Malta Mexico Moldova Monaco Mongolia Montenegro Morocco Myanmar Nepal Netherlands New Zealand Nicaragua Northern Ireland Norway

Panama
Papua New Guinea
Paraguay
Peru
Philippines
Poland
Portugal
Puerto Rico
Romania
Russian Federation
Samoa
San Marino
Scotland
Senegal
Serbia

Sierra Leone

Singapore

Palestine

Slovenia South Africa Spain Sri Lanka St. Kitts & Nevis St. Lucia St. Vincent & The Grenadines Suriname Sweden Switzerland **Taiwan** Tanzania Turkmenistan Thailand Timor-Leste Togo

Slovakia

Tonga
Trinidad & Tobago
Tunisia
Turkey
Uganda
Ukraine
United Arab
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