



'Tis the season to be jolly, excited, stressed, road-raged, and running around furiously trying to get in and out of the mall as fast as possible, your gifts wrapped, and the banquet prepared. Do not despair of finding a relaxing moment. At Peace Media has released two Christmas CDs to soothe our minds and warm our hearts. A portion of the proceeds goes to support Amnesty International. (Check out [www.amnestyusa.com](http://www.amnestyusa.com)) Order your At Peace music CDs at: [www.atpeacemedia.com](http://www.atpeacemedia.com)

Happy Holidays and Happy Listening!

## Peace on Earth

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Musician Michael Benghiat has applied his serene instrumental sound to classic holiday melodies in his Christmas CD, *Peace on Earth*. Benghiat performs on guitars and keyboards, accompanied by Stephanie Bennett on harp, Phil Feather on oboe, and Brice Martin on flutes and recorders. The sounds are sweet without being overly so, warm and pensive.

Tracks include *Oh Come All Ye Faithful*, *Away in the Manger*, *Silent Night*, *The First Noel*, *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*, *Oh, Little Town of Bethlehem*, and *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*. The first track, *Lo How a Rose E'er Blooming*, transports the listener into sacred space. Beginning in high octave piano, it is reminiscent of bells ringing. The stronger piano and sparingly used percussion gives the beautiful *We Three Kings of Orient Are* the impression of footsteps – wandering regal seekers. *What Child is This* is slow and meditative, magical.

Running time: 56 minutes. Price: \$15.95. Visit [www.atpeacemedia.com](http://www.atpeacemedia.com) for more information or to purchase.



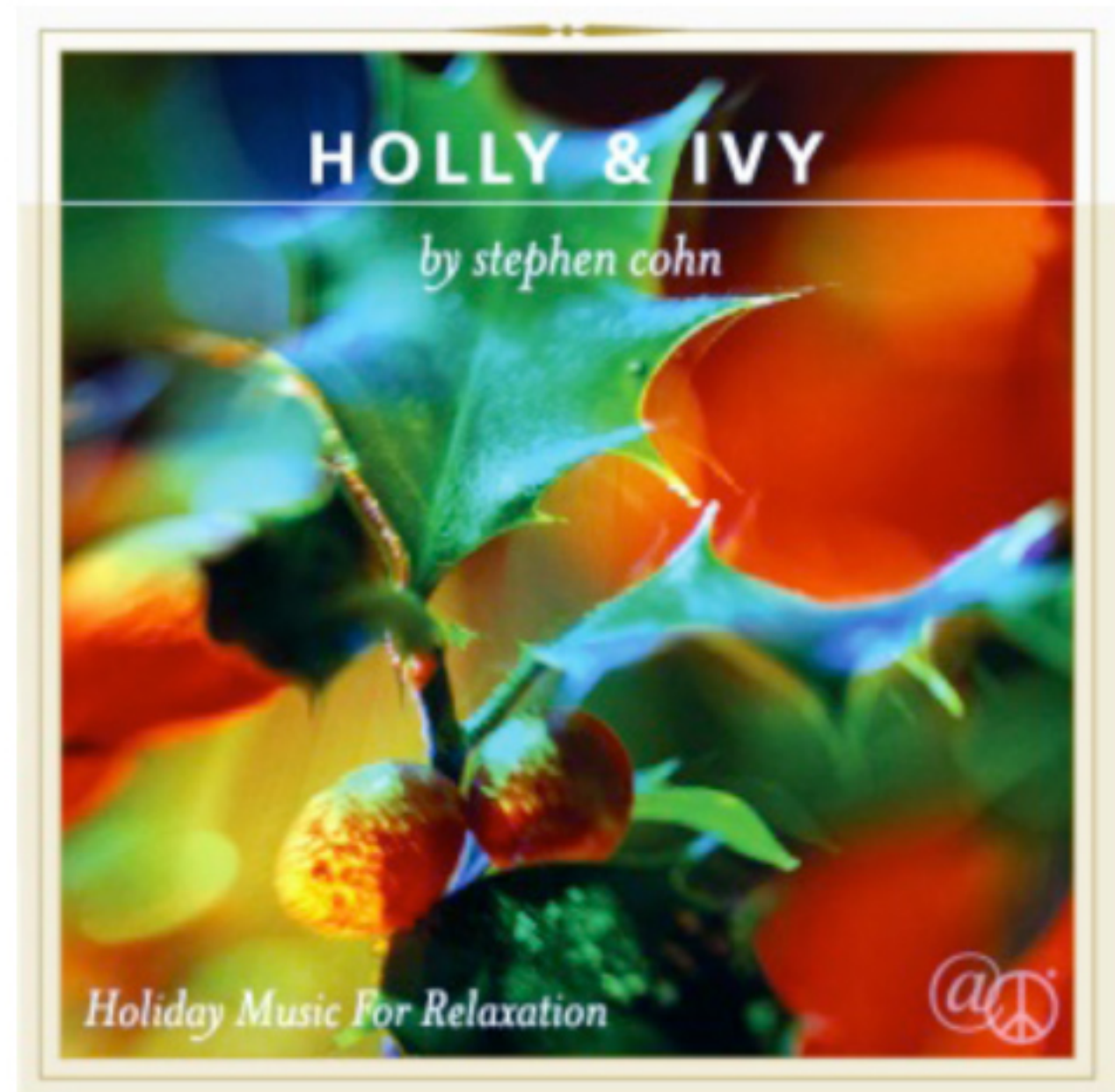
## Holly and Ivy

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Emmy award winner, composer and musician Stephen Cohn has a holiday treat in store for us. His CD entitled *Holly and Ivy* blends sounds from a variety of cultures, creating a Christmas collection with universal appeal. Warm and serene, it is absolutely in tune with the spirit of the season.

It includes classics like *The Holly and the Ivy*, *Ave Marie*, *Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring*, and *Oh Holy Night*. *Coventry Carol*, the well-loved Renaissance song named after the city in England, is performed using the rich sound of recorders, giving me the impression it just stepped out of the 15th Century English country-side. The rousing and glorious *Angels We Have Heard On High* is presented in a toned-down and slowed-down variation. It's as quietly sublime as a light snowfall. Likewise, the usually booming sound of *Joy to the World* also presented at a slower tempo, but loses none of its effervescence.

Running time: approx 62 minutes. Visit [www.atpeacemedia.com](http://www.atpeacemedia.com) for more information or to purchase.



NOTE: For a limited time both CDs can be purchased from At Peace Media for \$19.95. Visit [www.atpeacemedia.com](http://www.atpeacemedia.com) for more information.