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**WE ALL
JUST NEED TO DRUM!
2023**



ONE HEART MOVIES



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Documentary
Running Time:
Directed By:
Written By:
Produced By:

77 minutes
John Pritchard
John Pritchard
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Associate Producer:

Ron Mercier

Edited by:

John Pritchard

Music by:



Adam Holzman
Rich Damone
John Pritchard

Special Thanks to:

Ken and Beverly Little Hawk



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ONE HEART MOVIES PRESENTS
"WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM!" A FILM BY AWARD-WINNING DIRECTOR JOHN PRITCHARD

FEATURING

OTHA DAY PING HO ARTHUR HULL CHRISTINE STEVENS SULE GREG WILSON JIM BONEAU DIANA WALLACE JIM DONOVAN
SUMMER LALL SIMON FAULKNER KUMI MASUNAGA JOHN FITZGERALD ZORINA WOLF GREG WHITT MARY TOLENA
SERINA PAYAN HAZELWOOD MIKE DEATON ALAN BRUNI TOMOKO "TOMTOM" YOKOTA SCOTT SWIMMER CHRIS RAMIREZ
SATYA FERREIRA BRIAN COLBERT JIM MARKHAM ROBERTO NARAIN VASUNDHARA DAS AIMEE GELINAS DAN COHEN
ROSARIO CARELLI MALIA DURBANO KEN LITTLE HAWK SADAM SEGUVA ISMA ALAKIN DR. JANE BENTLEY
HARSHIL CHIOSTRI LUCAS COFFEY KEVIN COOLEY JOHN PAUL DEAR JEFF HOLLAND GAIL JACKSON EDDIE O'NEILL
JUDI SPENCER TOKHI JOHN YOST RAY WATTERS MIKE DEMENNO GISELLE FRIEDMAN DR. ADAM BOWLING

MUSIC BY

ADAM HOLZMAN, RICH DAMONE, & JOHN PRITCHARD

ASSOCIATE PRODUCER RON MERCIER SPECIAL THANKS TO KEN & BEVERLY LITTLE HAWK

WRITTEN, PRODUCED & DIRECTED BY JOHN PRITCHARD

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LOGLINE

[57 WORDS]

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SYNOPSIS

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[***WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM! 2023***](#), by award-winning filmmaker, [**John Pritchard**](#), is all about encouraging the entire world to use drumming as a healing tool to increase joy, reduce stress, and deepen our connection with one another. Group drumming promotes health and well-being. The drum truly is a medicine that heals! [***WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM! 2023***](#) reveals the little known world of drum circle facilitators who currently lead thousands of drum circles around the planet every month. The whole world needs to come together and start drumming! The movie features the Father of the modern Drum Circle Movement, Arthur Hull, and 45 other incredible interviewees. The film is dedicated to the great Yoruba tribe drummer from Nigeria, BABA OLATUNJI, who deeply inspired Arthur. The movie also features an [**original surround sound score**](#) by Miles Davis keyboardist, Adam Holzman, and Sam Rivers bassist, Rich Damone. The film is produced by John Pritchard's non-profit film company, [**One Heart Movies**](#), which is based in Williamstown, MA.



WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

**"THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL
AND INSPIRING FILM!"**

"VERY POWERFUL!!!"

"FABULOUS!"

"LIFE CHANGING!"

"SUPERB EDITING!"

"TIMELY MESSAGE!"

"LOVE, LOVE, LOVE THE MOVIE!"



“OH MY GOD!!! What a powerhouse of a film. It’s the original “WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM!” on steroids. You have filled in the cracks and rounded the edges of the segways to deliver a seamless multi-layered message. You have managed to cover all, (And I do mean ALL!), the bases, and done so in an uplifting and energizing way. You have merged all the diverse and different voices into a harmonious chorus. Thank you for this lovely gift to our community. And thank you John, for helping us share our spirit and our message.”

—Arthur Hull, Father of the Modern Drum Circle Movement and Founder of Village Music Circles

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OUR STORY

During the summer of 2020, award-winning director, [John Pritchard](#), interviewed 30 drum circle facilitators, leaders, educators, and drummers for the original version of **WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM!**. During 2022, John interviewed 14 more drum facilitators and updated the original version to the current release of **WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM! 2023**. The movie is all about encouraging the entire world to use drumming as a healing tool to increase joy, reduce stress, and connect more deeply with one another. The drum truly is a medicine that heals!

The film had its original debut on December 3, 2020 at [WeNeedToDrum.com](#) and its updated 2023 version on November 7, 2023.

As for the movie's soundtrack, John released a new album, [ENTRAINING](#), of original "healing" music on August 18, 2020. The album was created with John's good friends, Miles Davis keyboardist, Adam Holzman, and Sam Rivers bassist, Rich Damone.

To learn more, please visit [WeNeedToDrum.com](#).



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THE DRUM IS A MEDICINE THAT HEALS!

DIRECTOR, John Pritchard

[John Pritchard](#) focuses on producing films that are educational and celebrate the positive side of humanity. His professional goals are to promote respect for ALL people and to help create a kinder world. John is the founder and Executive Director of [One Heart Movies](#). [WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM!](#) Is his fourth film produced by One Heart Movies.

John's first feature film, [ONE HEART - ONE SPIRIT](#), won **BEST INDIGENOUS DOCUMENTARY** at the 2017 Melbourne Documentary Film Festival. The film celebrates the oldest surviving culture on the planet: the 40,000-year-old Aboriginal people of the Yolngu Nation. Australia's premier film magazine, **Film Ink**, gave it high praise:

"This film provides a truly moving experience, showing the beauty in seemingly little things. To put it dramatically, One Heart-One Spirit offers a solution for the quickening demise of the entire human race – show respect for each other and our world."

—[Chelsea Wick, Film Ink](#)



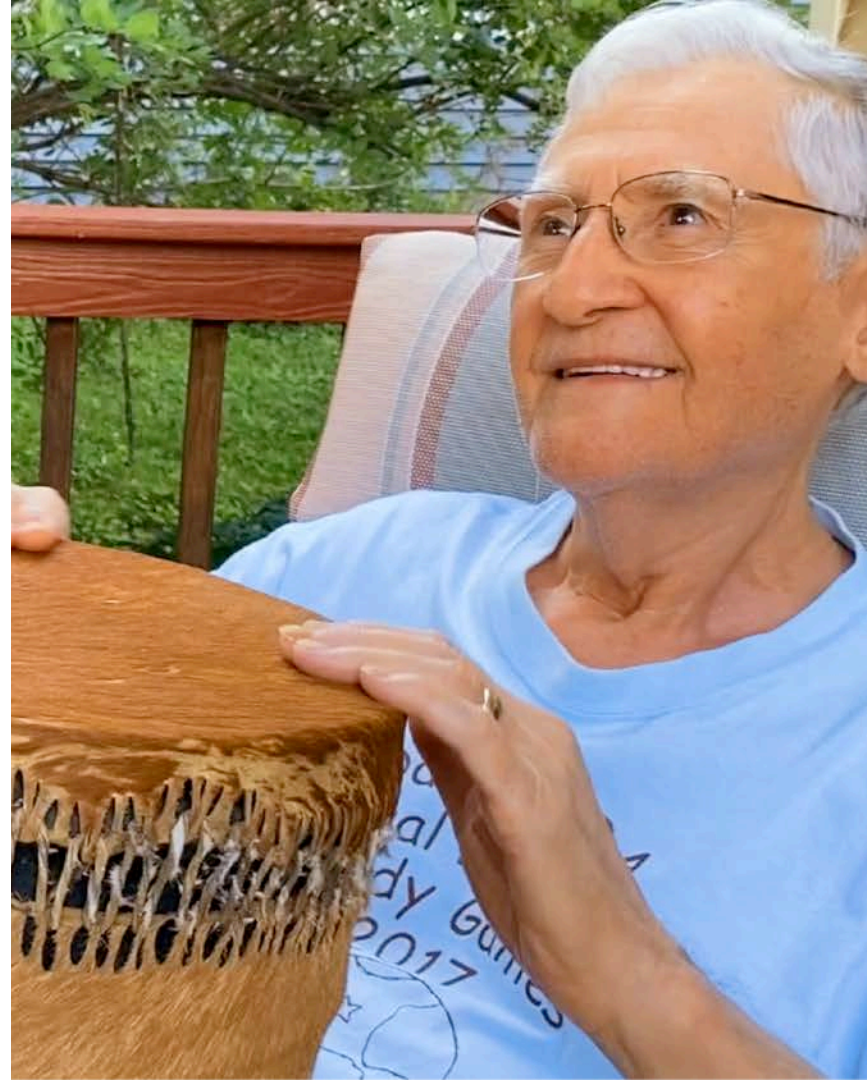
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ASSOCIATE PRODUCER, Ron Mercier

Ron Mercier has been working on multimedia projects with John Pritchard since 2012. As a writer, poet, and painter, Ron has written two books of "Visionary Fiction": [SOULSCAPES](#) and [DANCE THE RIVER WHALE](#). He also has an online course, [The Imaginal Way](#), where he shares insights on the imagination and spirituality. Ron is a former Catholic priest, teacher and psychotherapist. As a father and grandfather, he lives with his wife, Stella, in the Berkshires of western Massachusetts. Ron deeply believes in creating a partnership society where people of all races and beliefs can live creatively together in prosperity and peace.



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ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK ON APPLE MUSIC



Original Dolby Digital 5.1 surround sound score for [WE ALL JUST NEED TO DRUM!](#) comes from the [ENTRAINING album](#) by Miles Davis keyboardist, [Adam Holzman](#), Sam Rivers bassist, [Rich Damone](#), and filmmaker/composer/drummer, [John Pritchard](#).



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ENTRAINING

Damone Holzman Pritchard



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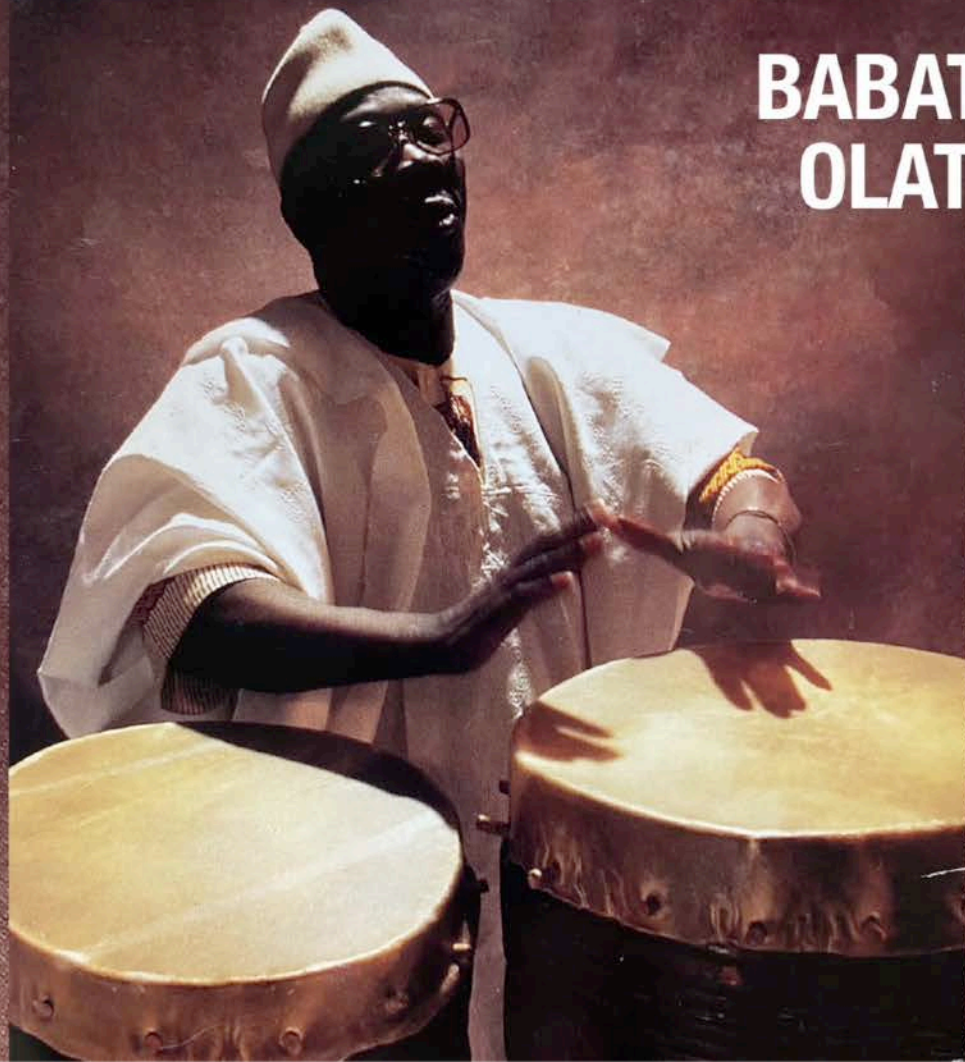
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**BABATUNDE
OLATUNJI**



A portrait of an elderly man with long, flowing white hair, smiling warmly. He is wearing a blue and white striped shirt and a necklace made of red and white beads. The background is a lush green forest. In the bottom right corner, a portion of a wooden drum is visible.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Ken Little Hawk
Mi'kmaq/Mohawk (1936-2022)



Arthur Hull
Father of the Modern Drum Circle Movement

Ping Ho, MA MPH
Founder/Director, UCLArts & Healing

A man with long, light-colored hair, smiling broadly, is seated in the center of the frame. He is wearing a blue button-down shirt. He has his hands raised in a gesture of openness. The background is a light-colored wall. To the left is a large potted plant with long, thin leaves. In the foreground and to the right are several drums, including a large brass cymbal and a smaller drum with orange fabric hanging from it.

John Fitzgerald

Drum Circle Facilitator/VMC Global Trainer



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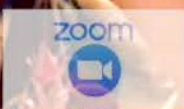
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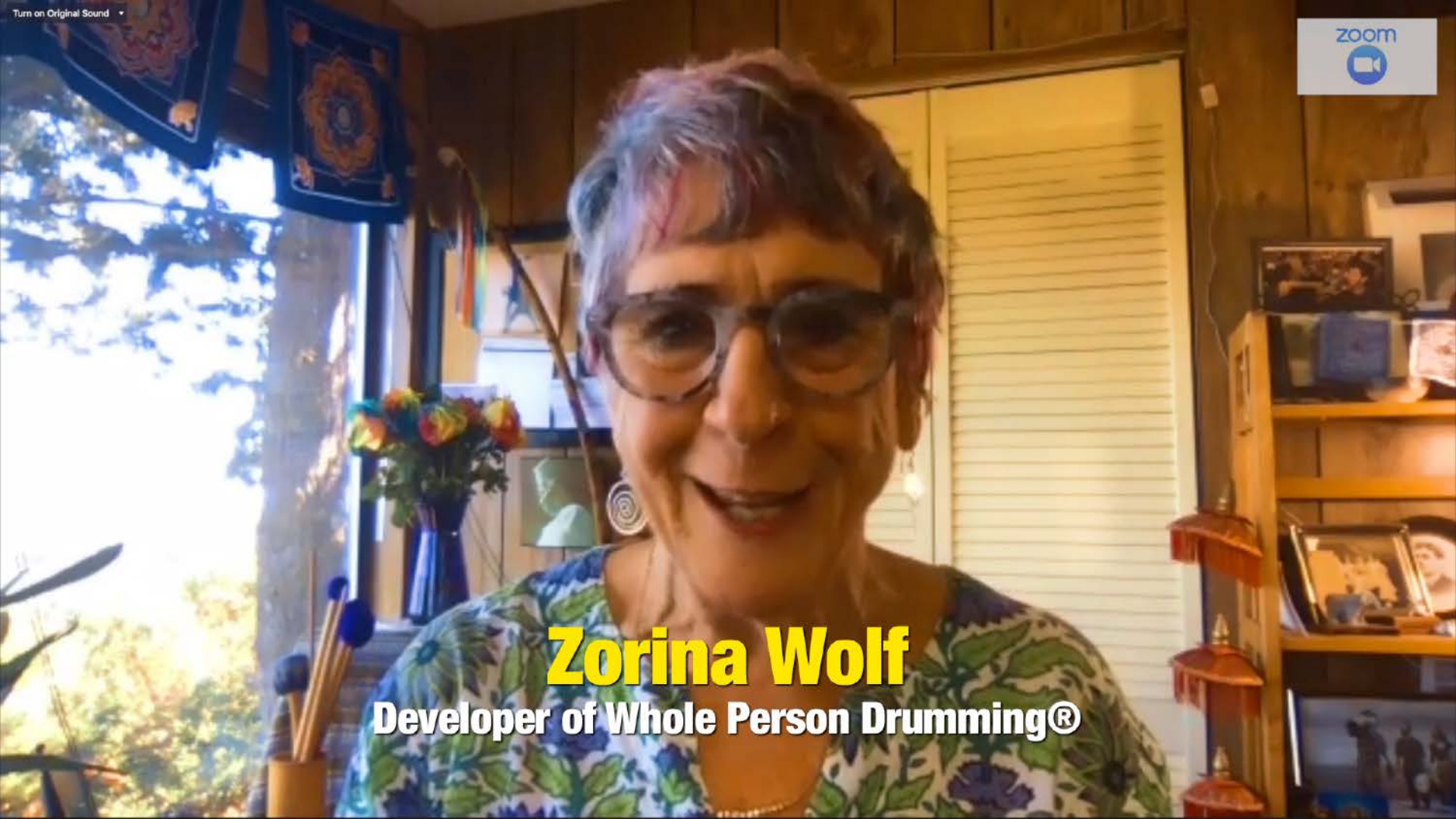
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Developer of Whole Person Drumming®



Tokhi

Drum Circle Facilitator - Prague, Czech Republic

A portrait of Paul John Dear, a man with a white beard and glasses, wearing a white t-shirt. He is positioned in front of a dark wooden bookshelf. To his left, there is a decorative object with green and yellow floral patterns. The lighting is warm and focused on him.

Paul John Dear
Drum Facilitator
VMC Global Trainer (UK)



Dr. Jane Bentley
Co-Founder, Brain Pulse



Lucas Coffey
Co-Founder, Brain Pulse

A woman with dark hair styled in braids, wearing an orange shawl and a patterned headscarf, is looking upwards and to the right. Behind her is a large, circular, metallic gong hanging from a metal frame. The background is a plain, light-colored wall with a green plant visible on the left side.

Gail Jackson

**Drum Facilitator/VMC Global Trainer
(ALASKA)**

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Brian Colbert

Drummer & Student of Baba Olatunji



Satya Ferriera
Drummer/Musician

A photograph of two people, Dan Cohen and Aimee Gelinas, in a forest setting. Dan is standing in the background wearing a blue cap and a dark shirt. Aimee is sitting in the foreground wearing a blue striped shirt and a black headband, smiling. There are several wooden drums in the foreground. The background is a dense forest with tall trees and sunlight filtering through the leaves.

Dan Cohen & Aimee Gelinas

Drum Instructors and Musicians - Berkshires, MA

A man with long, wavy brown hair is sitting in a black office chair in a sun-dappled forest. He is wearing a white t-shirt with a blue graphic and khaki pants. He is gesturing with his hands as if speaking. The background is filled with green trees and sunlight filtering through the leaves.

Jim Markham
Music Therapist/Educator

A man with glasses and a dark blue polo shirt is sitting cross-legged on a white mat in a room filled with colorful, hand-painted drums. The drums feature various designs, including parrots and abstract patterns. In the background, there are white folding chairs and a metal staircase. The lighting is bright and even.

Mike DeMenno
Manager, REMO Recreational
Music Center

From the 2008 film "American Rhythms"



Giselle Friedman, LCSW
Licensed Clinical Social Worker

From the 2008 film "American Rhythms"



Isma Alakin
Drummer - UGANDA



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