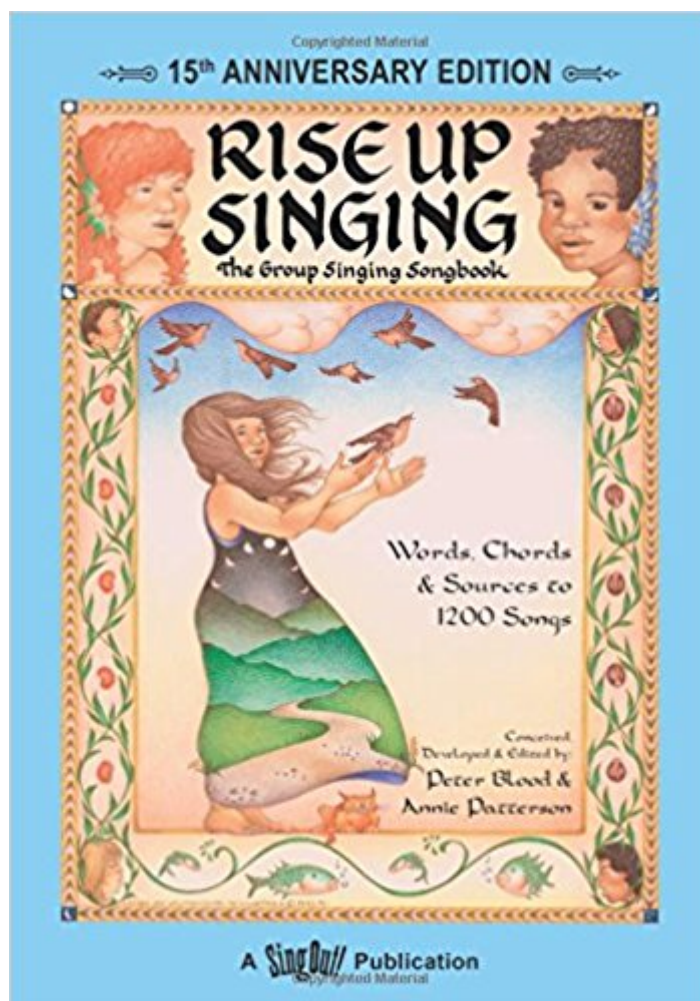


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# Rise Up Singing: The Group Singing Songbook (15th Anniversary Edition)



## Synopsis

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"This is the best, most exhilarating and glorious history of the United States: a singing history. It is more than a lovely songbook—it's a play-work-fight-freedom hymnal."

—Studs Terkel, author, *Hope Dies Last*  
"Singing improves the quality of life, making us feel better, stronger, wiser. Here are several hundred songs to get started on!"  
—Holly Near, author, *Fire in the Rain*

Peter Blood and Annie Patterson have over 25 years of experience in song-leading at conferences and gatherings using Rise Up Singing throughout the United States, Canada, and Australia. They both live in Cheney, Pennsylvania.

I did not realize this book has no notation. Only words and chords which was very disappointing since there are many melodies I don't know. I went back to the product description and I guess I should have figured that out before I ordered the book since it says... "(Vocal). Words, chords and

sources to 1200 songs"

I love this book! I had one many years ago and lost it. Recently, I've been playing piano, mostly by ear and was missing my old book. I was very happy to be able to buy it here. My only complaint is it took much longer (weeks) than most items do to get to me. I also have the sequel book called Rise Again and I like that too. The spiral binding makes it very easy to read at a piano or keyboard and the relatively small size makes it convenient for taking to a group sing of any type. It's just a book of lyrics but also has guitar chords included.

I bought this as it was recommended to me as having all the songs I sang growing up in church, camp, school, and family. It is missing a few that really ought to be in there (most notably the Star Spangled Banner) but it does really have most of the songs I was looking for. Songs that I hope are included in the next edition are Red Headed Stranger, Blue Tailed Fly, South Coast, Henry Martin. It also has guitar chords. and in case you remember the melody for part but not all of a song, there's always youtube (although I have found at least one song with interesting lyrics that I can't find on youtube and would like to know the melody to learn to sing it). I hope every scout troop, summer camp, faith group, and school classroom can get a copy of this book! Everything from Puff the Magic Dragon to Blowin' in the Wind to Ride an Old Paint to Golden Vanity and All God's Critters. Love, love, love!

This collection is remarkable for its breadth and depth. I've found lyrics to songs that I barely remembered, and for this it has been extremely useful. The clever method of providing a condensed set of chords for guitar accompaniment is useful, although it is not always easy to figure out how the chord pattern is supposed to work. Of course, if you don't know the melody, you're out of luck, but providing sheet music would cut the number of songs provided by a large factor, so it is an effective tradeoff. The songs include old folk ballads, modern songs (Beatles, Leonard Cohen, Gordon Bok, etc.), show tunes, and ethnic fare. Altogether a remarkable volume, although the lack of focus on a particular genre means that the coverage in any given area is frustrating at times. Having indices by artist, title, first lines, and culture is very helpful.

I have the original and several older 2d copies I use often for song circles, but this larger version is much easier to see with my older peepers.

I bought my first copy of Rise Up Singing 30 years ago and have just about worn it out. I bought this edition as a gift. It is very well constructed and I like the larger size and print. It doesn't have every artist but there are plenty. And the songs are as varied as you can imagine. You can find them alphabetically, by category, holiday and artist. There are nice illustrations and the date, author and other information is included with every song. The music is all there with simple chords and the more unusual ones are illustrated. But it's also great with voice as the only instrument. Bring it to every gathering and good luck hanging on to it. Everyone sees songs that they get excited about and want to look more. It will light up place!

Like the spiral bound. Packs a lot of tunes. 25% songs I doubt anyone has ever heard before. Some chords are not quite right. Good for sing alongs. Always find the cover a turn off-- like, "Hey guys, let's turn off the TV and have a sing along" the cover doesn't help my cause. I've heard the newer version has less hippie cover, and some of the chords are rectified.

This is a great songbook. It includes lyrics and chords to many folk songs. I really like how the book is organized too, into sections about the feel of the song. There is also an index at the back where you can look up songs by title, composer, or country. Even though the book doesn't notate the melody of any of the songs, it is still great for anyone who likes to kick back and play their guitar/whatever... if you need help with the melody, YouTube is a great resource, or go find someone in your community who knows the song!

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