

Angel of Peace
by Pepo Toledo



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Global Sculpture Project by
Guatemalan Artist Pepo Toledo.


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Purpose

- The Angel of Peace is an offer of blessings on behalf of Guatemala.
 - It has to reach the largest amount possible of cities in the world.
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Angel of Peace model



I. Circuit of Nations, sculptures for peace, near Mexico City's airport. November 22nd, 2012.



José Manuel Ballesteros López, delegation head in Venustiano Carranza , with artist Pepo Toledo



II. Plaza de la Concordia at the National Police Historic Archives in Guatemala City. December 6th, 2012.



David Johnston, Governor General of Canada, with artist Pepo Toledo



III. OAS sculpture garden in the Art Museum of the Americas, Washington D.C. May 14th, 2014.



IV. Tennenlohe, Erlangen, state of Bavaria, Germany. June 21, 2015.



V. Palais de Nations, commemorating Peace Week at United Nations Office in Geneva. November 9, 2016.



VI. Guatemala City Hall, celebrating the 20th anniversary of the Peace Accords. December 29, 2016.



Alvaro Arzú, Mayor of Guatemala City, with artist Pepo Toledo



VII. Project for Jerusalem. September 8, 2022.

Pepo Toledo hands over the model of the Angel of Peace to Mrs. Fleur Hassam Nahoum, Vice Mayor of Jerusalem, strengthening the commitment to the prompt realization of the work with the support of ISRACAM. Israel Museum in Jerusalem.



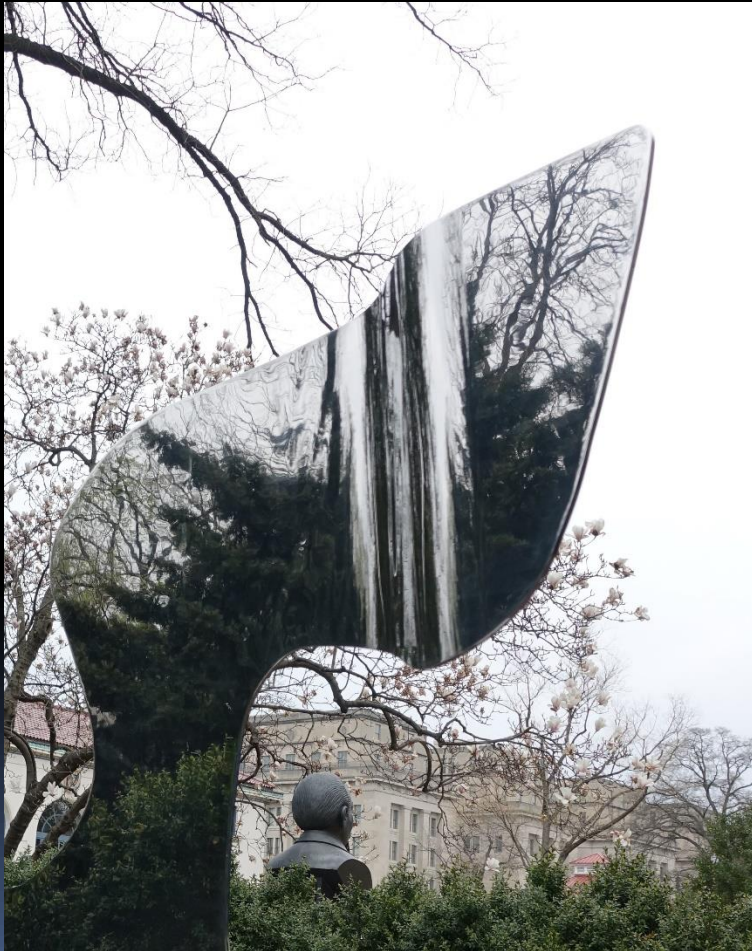
VIII. Safa Park, Ankara, Turkey. October 17, 2024.
“Angel of Peace” by Guatemalan sculptor Pepo Toledo,
meticulously reproduced by Turkish artist Dođan Karakılıc.



Mansur Yavaş, Mayor of Ankara, with artist Pepo Toledo



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Pepo Toledo's Refraction Message

- "Behavior is a mirror in which each person shows their image." Goethe.
 - The most useful mirror you can find is inside you. It is your conscience, the mirror of God reflecting yourself.
 - Peace can only be forged by sincere people.
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Pepo Toledo's Peace Message

- Peace is something we're not often grateful for, until we lose it, like many other things God gives us.
 - Absence of violence is not real peace. For countries that emerged from war, there's no peace without forgiveness.
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Message

- Conflicts must be solved reconstructing not destroying, going forward not backwards, united and not in dissension.
- An old saying says that forgiveness can't change the past but it can change the future.
- Isaac Newton said "Men build too many walls and not enough bridges".




Message

- It is inside us that war and peace are born.
 - It is there where we need to build the foundations of peace so we can raise our homes.
 - For a home that lives in harmony is the biggest treasure of all.
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Message

- Starting there we can create world peace.
 - Peace is no utopia, it is an achievable dream.
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Message

- Only with a positive attitude we can construct a lifetime structure based on peace, truth, love, equality, justice, freedom, and sympathy.
 - Societies that do so develop a level of tolerance and union that makes them able to go through natural, economic, and every other kind of disaster.
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Message

- When peace flourishes so does human potential.
 - Herodotus used to say “No one is so foolish as to prefer war to peace, in which, instead of sons burying their fathers, fathers bury their sons.”
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